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## BIGGEST BATTLE YET Raging Round Arab-Held Key Point

### Egyptian Jews' Duty

Cairo, May 29.  
The Grand Rabbi of Egypt, Chaim Nahoum, told Egyptian Jews today it was their duty "to fight Zionists if Egypt is in a state of war with them."

Querioned about the duty of Egyptian Jews and whether they should carry arms to defend their country, he said "there is no doubt about that."

"There is no way to misinterpret the religion of Moses. The law of the state is our law. Its power is our power." —Reuter.

### Philippine Customs Dilemma

Manila, May 28.  
Press dispatches from Cebu today tell of a dilemma faced by customs authorities—what to do with the Russian ship, s.s. "Tushkent," in the harbour.

The ship brought a cargo of over 5,000 tons of cement from Dalren for use in Philippine rehabilitation projects. It has been anchored off Cebu since May 17 while customs and officials of the Cebu Portland Cement Company argued whether the cargo could be unloaded directly at the port of use rather than at Cebu City itself.

The Russian ship's captain, Vassily Vosillier, asked, meanwhile, if his crew of 45 could come ashore to stretch their legs. When refused, he sought to up anchor and proceed "to the assistance of a ship in the Bay of Bengal." The customs would not give him clearance.

Filipinos were afraid the crew members might be Communist agents seeking an easy way into the country. An American just returned from Cebu said Russian officers when ashore were trailed by an impressive group of detectives and policemen.

Complicating matters is the fact that while the Russian cement was bought by the Philippines Government—agency, Russia and the Philippines do not have diplomatic relations. —Associated Press.

### PIRATE JUNKS SUNK

Canton, May 28.  
Two pirate junks were sunk, and another was captured when Chinese naval craft on anti-piracy work along the West River intercepted five craft, according to a report received in Canton.

The five marauding junks attacked some two-boats near Kiongmoen when the anti-piracy patrols arrived on the scene.

The two remaining pirate junks escaped.—Reuter.

### CHURCHILL HINT ON COALITION

Perth, Scotland, May 27.  
Winston Churchill said today that the difficulties of peace may one day "require the full united effort of our whole nation of all classes and parties in it" to restore Britain's strength.

Here to receive the honours of a Freeman of the ancient city, the wartime Prime Minister made no direct reference to formation at this time of a coalition such as that which

### Abdullah Hailed As "Liberator"

Jerusalem, May 28.  
The "largest field action in the present war", according to both sides, is still raging around Latrun, an important Arab-controlled key point on the Jerusalem-Tel-Aviv road.

The latest Iraqi communiqué said that Iraqi aircraft, in cooperation with the Arab Legion in the Latrun battle, heavily bombed Jewish massing troops.

But from the centre of Jerusalem, the sounds of battle were fast receding during the night. With the Arab forces still strung out all around the outskirts, the city was still besieged.

The hot sunny streets of Jerusalem, freed of all menace except from an occasional shell, were thronged with people trying desperately to find something at the back doors of closed shops to eke out their meagre rations.

One of "liberator" from hundreds of Arab troops and civilians hailed King Abdullah of Transjordan, Commander-in-Chief of the Arab armies in Palestine, when he drove through the walled ramparts of Jerusalem yesterday, a despatch from Amman reported.

### Enough Arms

The inspection of his troops and a conference with his commanders appeared to be the main reason for the king's visit, but this, too, aroused speculations about its political implications.

Meanwhile, reports from the Middle East quoted Azzam Pasha, the Secretary General of the Arab League, as saying that the Arabs have enough arms to carry on a war, regardless of any arms embargo the Security Council might impose, and adding that the fall of Jerusalem was certain.

Azzam Pasha and other Arab leaders were expected to resume discussions today in Damascus, taking up the new British proposal.

Following a two-hour meeting of the military chief in Damascus yesterday, attended by the commander of the Arab Army of Liberation, it was understood that a reorganization of the army was planned.

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### Oil Threat

The latest Cairo despatch on yesterday's actions said that Egyptian planes hit an arms factory at Tel Aviv and that other craft bombed six Jewish settlements around the Gaza area. Ground action was limited to patrols.

The Syrian communiqué spoke of skirmishes on the Jordan front and around Kahlis, south of Lake Tiberias, and said that a Jewish convoy near Kinnereth settlement was shelled.

A despatch from Cyprus quoting a Damascene report declared that the Syrian Government had issued a communiqué threatening to cancel oil concessions if the United States continue to "put pressure on the United Nations" regarding the Palestine question.

—Reuter.

### Yangtze Crossing Baulked

Nanking, May 28.  
Pro-government reports said today that government troops baulked another Communist attempt to cross the Yangtze River into the Nanking-Shanghai area at a point 60 miles east of Nanking, but Nationalist setbacks in Chengtch, Jehol Province, were also reported.

Semi-official reports said the Communist force was made up of Communist remnants in North Kiangsu, who tried to cross the river at Sankiangkuo, 60 miles east of the capital.

Nationalist reinforcements, who landed from Hukou transports, were said to have "nipped the Communist attempt in the bud."

These government troops, converging from two points, United up at Kuon, 15 miles east of Sankiangkuo. They immediately launched an attack on the Reds massed around Sankiangkuo and succeeded in dispersing them.

Further north the Nationalists recaptured Fowning, major Communist base in north Kiangsu.

Pro-government reports admitted the loss of Lungtien, one of three main government held cities in Jehol, giving the Communists an important initial success in their attempt to open a land link between China Proper and Manchuria.

The reports also confirmed earlier dispatches that Pingchuan, 40 miles east of Chengtch, and Luantien, 10 miles west of Chengtch, had been evacuated by the government troops.—United Press.

### TOUGH LIFE FOR CHUNGKING PICKPOCKETS

Nanking, May 28.  
Because of the increased prevalence of pickpocketing in Chungking, the city government today ordered stricter police surveillance and round-up of pickpockets.

The police, however, did not have success in nabbing any pickpockets but yesterday 140 of them voluntarily fled into the police station confessing their guilt and asked for imprisonment.

They said it was because they found it tough to earn a living after strict police surveillance was ordered.

The "voluntary surrender," however, put the police into a predicament because they do not want extra official expenses entailed in feeding the pickpockets.

So they suggested that they go to privately-owned reformatories or relief organizations. But the pickpockets refused. They said they had been there before but were not given enough to eat.

As a result, the pickpockets went back to the streets again to their old profession.—United Press.

### QUAKE CAUSES CASUALTIES

Lima, Peru, May 28.  
A strong earthquake was felt early today along the west coast of Peru and first reports said serious damage and some casualties were caused.

The town of Canete, 40 miles south of Lima, was reported to be the worst hit with every house in the town damaged somewhat and many persons injured.

The population of Canete was reported to have fled their homes in panic and was at present huddled in streets and fields.

Taller a less intense shock was felt yesterday.—United Press.

### PICTURE OF THE DAY

### A Sea Of Wire



In heavy fighting in Jerusalem, the British forces before leaving laid this sea of wire in Princess Mary Avenue towards the Jewish section, with the object of keeping Jews and Arabs from coming into contact. (AP Photo).

### BRITISH FINANCING OF ARABS

Washington, May 27.

The United States House of Representatives today followed the Senate in asking the State Department to check and report on Britain's methods of financing the Transjordan Arab Legion.

The House Appropriations Committee, adding its weight to investigations now being carried out here into the extent to which, if any, Britain is using American aid funds to finance Arab armies now fighting in Palestine, asked for the report before it cast a vote on these funds.

The Committee is studying the European Recovery Programme and the money to be allotted to it.

Both bodies have the power to amend appropriations of aid funds in such a way as to limit definitely either the use of the monies by Britain, or to fix certain conditions on the granting of such monies.

A small but active body of Congressmen is pressing for the latter course to be taken.

While British officials say no such funds have been used in the Middle East because no aid funds have yet been received, it is conceivable that Congress could make Britain's receipt of money conditional on their halting financial assistance, whatever its origin, to the Arabs.

Sharp Comment

The New York Herald-Tribune said today in a leading article that the "ineptness" of American diplomacy could not excuse the "basic stupidity and futility" of Britain's "imperial policy of supporting the Arab princes" in the war in Palestine.

The Herald-Tribune said there was "urgent need" for "real" Anglo-American understanding on the Palestine policy, but added, in a reference to the proposed American loan to Israel, that "the British are right in calling this promise 'ill-timed' and 'unfortunate.' It is also, we regret to say, characteristic." —Reuter.

### Cabinet Submitted To Bao Dai

Paris, May 27.

Xuyan becomes Defence Minister as well as Premier of the Provisional Government of Vietnam, according to a list of ministries which has been submitted to the ex-Emperor Bao Dai of Annam.

Reporting this from Saigon, leads the Vietnamese Indo-Chinese Autonomy movement in conflict with the French authorities.

Mindanao of Simeon M. Le Van

Houach, former president of the South Vietnamese Government, He

had said he would be a devotee to the

new native religion founded in

1929, and largely compounded of Buddhist principles organised in a Christian-style framework.

Besides being given the Vice-

Premiership, Mr. Tran Van Huu

was said to have been appointed

Minister of Justice in the South

Vietnam Government.

Interior Minister Nguyen Huu

Xuyan Thien, President of the

Vietnam National Rally.

Central Vietnamese M. Phan Van

Giao, an Annamite Catholic who

works closely with the ex-Emperor

### WESTERN GERMANY ACCORD NEARER

London, May 28.  
United States concessions to France on the future control of the Ruhr, it was reliably reported today, brought nearer a six-power agreement on Western Germany now under discussion here.

Greater powers for the provisional International Ruhr Control Authority and accordance of permanent status to the Authority and its coming into force before the formation of the provisional German Government are understood to be among the American concessions designed to

allay France's anxieties over a possible resurrection of German aggressive power.

But differences over the political setup in Western Germany remained unsolved. The United States, it is understood, rejected at least for the time being the French insistence of military guarantees for Western Europe. The presence of American forces in Europe is considered by the American negotiators here as sufficient safeguard.

France now will have a real voice in the administration of the Ruhr.

British sources indicated the United States abandoned its demand that the Economic Cooperation Administrator and the United States Military Governor in Germany should have what was termed the overriding rights on decisions of the International Ruhr Authority.

### Linked With ERP

The Allied Supreme Commander in Japan so advised Chairman Bridges, Republican, New Hampshire, of the Senate Appropriations Committee in a cablegram.

The Committee had voted (see page 11) 17 to 2 to ask him to return and testify on economic matters in the Pacific area.

MacArthur told Bridges "My return at this time, however sincere its purpose, would be misunderstood and condemned by many as politically inspired." —Associated Press.

### Dancers On Riot Charge

Shanghai, May 28.

The small court room was jammed when 19 taxi-dancers and 50 cabaret managers were brought up before the Special Criminal Court today on charges of participating in a riot at the end of February, at which the Bureau of Social Affairs' Office was wrecked.

All pleaded not guilty to the charge that their attack was Communist-inspired and challenged the right-of-the-special tribunal to hear their case.

Eight of the girls, who had been in detention since the violent demonstration four months ago, showed signs of prison life. Their pallor contrasted sharply with the 11 others who were out on bail and some of whom attended the court dressed in the latest fashions.

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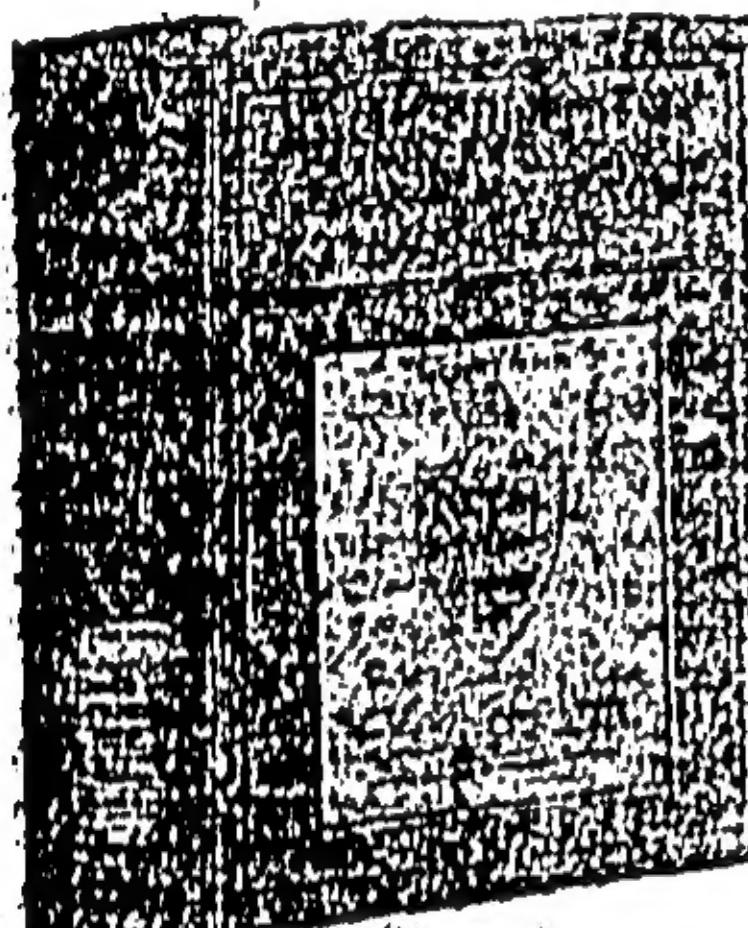
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## 2 SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR L.B. WOOD MURDER NO DECISION ON THIRD ACCUSED

In a hushed courtroom, crowded with European and Chinese spectators, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), yesterday doffed the dreaded black cap as he solemnly pronounced sentence of death on Lau Hoi alias Lou Yun-hoi and Ho Cheuk-kui, unanimously found guilty by a Special Jury with having murdered Lytton Davis Wood on Feb. 11.

The silence which had settled upon the courtroom after the return of the jury, was broken by the two condemned men who, as they were being led from the dock, shouted that they had been wrongly accused.

The jury, which had retired for almost two hours to consider its verdict, was unable to come to any decision in regard to the third accused, Li Chuk-sang, who was asked to stand down before sentence of death was passed on the other two accused.

All three accused were charged with having murdered Wood while the latter was hiking with a friend, George Ronald Ross, in the vicinity of Lion Rock Hill, on Feb. 11.

The case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Insp. H. T. Macleay. Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. P. J. Griffiths of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist, appeared for the accused.

### Voluntary Statements

In his closing address for the Crown, Mr. Lonsdale said that the main point in the case was whether the three accused were among the persons who attacked the Europeans. There was evidence that the first accused was seen on Feb. 11, at about 12.30 p.m. proceeding along the route of the robbery. There was also evidence that the third accused had been seen in his company previously.

Although the accused had claimed that their statements had been obtained by the Police through threats and beatings, the Court had held that these statements were made voluntarily. Mr. Lonsdale said that the jury must accordingly apply their minds to these statements on that basis.

It was extremely unlikely that the Police officers who had given evidence in the case, all of whom had many years of experience, would jeopardise their careers in order to bring false evidence against the accused.

Dealing with the declaration made by Ross subsequent to the

identification parade, at which he failed to pick out anyone, he thought the second accused resembled one of the men who attacked him. Mr. Lonsdale said that however bitter Ross might feel over the loss of his friend, he would certainly not allow that bitterness to override his intelligence. Mr. Lonsdale submitted that all three accused were present at the robbery, which was followed by violence.

In conclusion, he said that all persons aiding and abetting in the crime, whether they actually committed it or not, were equally guilty.

Replying for the defence, Mr. Wright said that the burden was not on the accused to prove their innocence, but on the prosecution to prove its case to the jury's satisfaction.

### "Utterly False"

Referring to the statements, Mr. Wright said that the jury, in considering them, should take into account all the circumstances of the case, including the statements of the accused when the admissibility of the statements was being argued.

Mr. Wright warned against placing implicit confidence upon confessions and emphasised that the jury should exercise the greatest care in considering them. The mere fact that confessions were made did not necessarily indicate that the persons who made them were guilty.

Mr. Wright submitted that the statements were completely and utterly false from beginning to end. He then proceeded to deal with inconsistencies between the stories contained in the statements and the evidence given by Ross.

There were, said Mr. Wright, various points in the statements which went to show that they were not worthy of any credence. In reference to the evidence of the accused, Mr. Wright said that the jury had seen them in the witness box and there was no doubt but that they were dull-witted persons and illiterate. They were not the type who could make up statements in the manner produced.

Mr. Wright submitted that there were the strongest grounds for acquitting the third accused. He was not identified and the alibi which he had put up had been maintained from the beginning.

Mr. Wright also referred to the time factor and said that from the evidence, the crime had been committed some time around 4 p.m. It was utterly impossible for the third accused to get from the scene of the crime to the Peak by 6 p.m. when he was seen returning to the house by his employer.

### Many Gaps

After dealing with the cases of the first and second accused, Mr. Wright said that the case for the Crown left many gaps and uncertainties. If there were any reasonable doubts in the minds of the jury, the law required them to resolve it in favour of the accused.

After Mr. Justice Williams had concluded his summing up, the jury retired at 3.55 p.m. They returned at 5.15 p.m. to seek directions from the Court.

The Foreman said that they wished to know if, in the event of their not being able to reach a verdict as regards each of the accused, the whole case must be re-tried.

Mr. Justice Williams said in reply: "No. You reach a verdict as against one, two or three. If you cannot reach a verdict about any single one, that does not concern you."

The jury then retired again, to return at 5.55 p.m. to return its verdict of guilty against the first two accused and to announce that

### Reminders

Today Launching of first post-war vessel by H. K. Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., at Hung Hom, 11.30 a.m.

"Stag" Dinner, Victoria Recreation Club, 8 p.m. Open Air Dance, at W.O.'s & Sgt. Major Showrooms, 9 p.m.

Prize Distribution to winners of Health Week competition, at Albion Theatre, 11 a.m. Sixth Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

### Coming Events

TOMORROW Ten Party by Mr. T. W. Kwok to members of St. John's University Alumni Association, 11.30 a.m. St. John's Day, 4 p.m.

Solemn Procession and Benediction, Catholic Cathedral, 4 p.m. Classical Concert, Y.C.C. Club, Talbot House, 80, Merton Road, 10.30 p.m.

Talk on "Airlane Operation" by F. W. Kendall, European YMCA (Amcham Group), West Lounge, 6.30 p.m.

it could come to no decision as regards the third accused.

The jury were thanked for their services by Mr. Justice Williams, who exempted them from further jury service for a period of two years.

### Delegates Studying UK Industry

With the closing of the British Industries Fair in London, Hong Kong's visitors have found more time to study various industries, and paid a visit to the North of England, where Mr. Shum Choy Wah, Mr. Robert Der, Mr. Wong Hong Ping and Mr. Lo Heung Hot toured the works of several textile machinery manufacturers. They also visited dyeing and finishing plants and a mill manufacturing poplin shirtings, being particularly impressed by the large capital outlay required for a modern mill and the intention given to the welfare of the workers. These visits were made as guests of the Cotton Board.

Mr. Shum Choy Wah and Mr. Lo Heung Hot spent a day at the guest of the I.C.I. (Dyeing and Dyestuffs).

On Friday Mr. Robert Der, Mr. Wong Hong Ping and Mr. U Thach visited the Northern seaport of Blackpool, where they were accorded a civic reception.

**REV. MOTHER AMABILE DEAD**

We regret to have to record the death of the Rev. Mother Amabile, which took place in the Canossian Convent in Caine Road yesterday afternoon.

The Rev. Mother Amabile, who was 81 years old, had spent 52 years in the Colony in hospital work. She had been Matron of the Canossa Hospital for 12 years.

The funeral passes the Monumen

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## JAPS ON TRIAL FOR GAS GRENADE MURDER

The brutal murder by hydro-cyanic acid gas grenade of two Allied airmen on Tocai, Kai Islands, in November, 1944, was recalled yesterday before the No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court when the trial began of two Japanese lieutenants and a major, charged with the alleged killing.

The accused, Lieut. Kanda Hideo, Lieut. Iwasaki Yoshiro and Major Atsuka Yusamasa told the prosecution that it was used against Allied tanks and pill boxes. The Japanese had had the gas in stock for a long time and doubted its effectiveness, so they decided to experiment on the two prisoners. After the murder, the Lieutenant reported to C.H.Q. Lieut. Kanda, staff officer in charge of operations, saying that it was successful.

The Prosecution produced number of affidavits.

Defence Counsel Tanaka, told the Court that all the three accused would enter the witness box and give evidence on oath. They all pleaded not guilty. Counsel added that he would produce 10 affidavits from Major A. Mackay, Australian Div., SCAP (GRG) Tokyo, represented, while Mr. Tanaka represented the three accused, with Capt. Wogan Bell sitting as Advisor Officer.

Major Mackay told the Court that two Allied airmen were shot down over the Kai group and were taken prisoner by the Germans at Tocai, where they were interrogated for intelligence information regarding the Australian forces. That was in October, 1944.

In November, 1944, the airmen were executed. They were brought to the beach and made to sit on a large piece of coal. From a distance of about 10 metres, Lieut. Iwasaki, who was the divisional chemical warfare officer, threw hydro-cyanic acid gas grenades at the two airmen. Some grenades missed their target but one eventually hit the coal and burst in front of the prisoners' faces.

Hearing that it was adjourned to Monday at 9 a.m., when the first accused will give his evidence in chief.

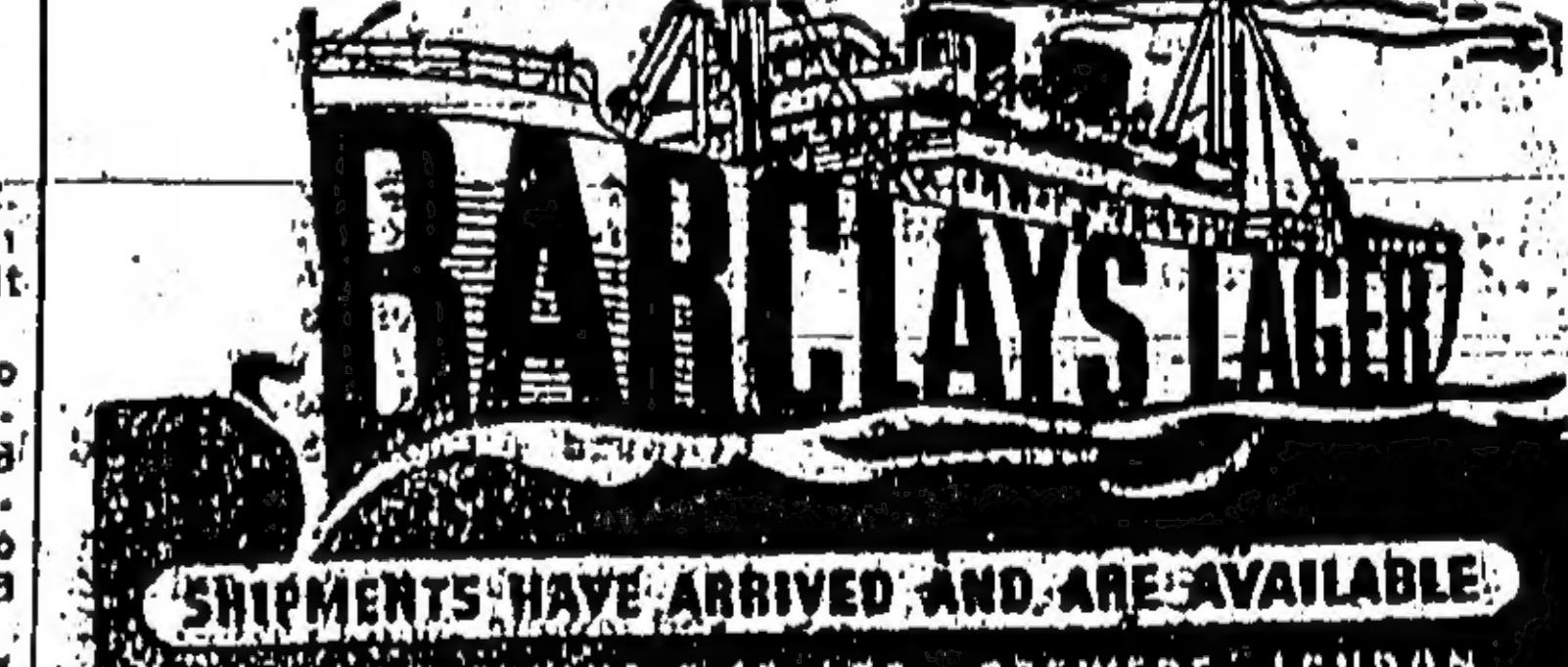
### OVER-CHARGED SUB-TENANTS

O Kam-chuen, 38-year-old married woman of 687 Nathan Road, ground floor, was fined \$100 and ordered to repay her sub-tenant \$60 when she admitted four counts of charging excessive rent, failing to notify her landlord, failing to notify her tenant (in writing) of the rent payable, and failing to post up the required notice of rent payable by her.

It was stated by Inspector C. T. Byron of the S.C.A. that defendant rented the premises for \$123.50 from the Sincere Co. Ltd. and had been in occupation since the re-opening of Hong Kong.

The floor was occupied by herself, a tailor and a carpenter shop (both of which she claimed to be a partner), and another sub-tenant. She had been receiving \$200 monthly as rent from the sub-tenant, for about six months. This rent was reduced to \$45 per month two months ago.

Defendant pleaded that she had a sick husband to support.



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Members and guests are reminded that they and their  
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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3  
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#### BY ORDER,

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## RIP KIRBY



BY ALEX RAYMOND.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### Ex-SMP's Lament

Sir.—Would you be kind enough to insert this letter in your esteemed paper. In the 20.5.48 issue of the China Mail Mr. D. W. MacIntosh, Commissioner of Police gave an interview to press representatives and when questioned re. the strength of the European Branch stated that "We are short of about 80. Twenty-seven are expected to be transferred from Palestine while the other three will come from England" On the strength of the above statement I cannot see any

### Aided Ammunition Theft

The maximum penalties of two years and a year hard labour, respectively, on the charges of aiding and abetting and possession, were passed on Chan Yiu alias Kun Tau, 30-year-old odd-job cooie living on board an unlicensed sampan, by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

On defendant pleading guilty to the charges of aiding and abetting Li Yau, Li Fuk-chuen and others in the larceny of 244 boxes containing 86,798 rounds of .38 ammunition and 480 rounds of .455 ammunition at Stonecutters Island on Feb. 9, and of receiving the ammunition, Det. Sub-Inst. W. B. Scragg withdrew the substantive charge of larceny.

Accused was arrested as the result of continuing inquiries into the theft of the ammunition from Stonecutters on Feb. 9. Questioned, defendant said that he was approached on Feb. 8 to hire two sampans. He hired the boat belonging to Li Yau and Li Fuk-chuen and went with a party to Stonecutters Island at 8 p.m. on Feb. 9. He helped the men to remove the ammunition from the store-room and received only \$10.

DSI Scragg told the Court that

part that the two men convicted on April 2. He had two previous convictions for larceny.

### ALLEGED OFFENCE INVOLVES GIRL

Defence counsel, Mr. Marcus da Silva, representing Wong Takyen of No. 173, Island Road, charged with a serious offence involving a 13-year-old girl, opened his case yesterday at Central Magistracy.

Evidence was given by a girl friend of defendant's sister and after cross-examination by Inspector Galvin, for the prosecution, hearing was adjourned to June 3.

## KIDNAPPING AND MURDER CHARGES

Evidence of arrest was given by Det. Sub-Inspector D. H. Taylor when committal proceedings

against Chan Tam-kam (30) on the charges of the murder of Fung Ki and the kidnapping of Siu Tak-hong, at Lau Fau Shan Village on March 11, were continued before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

DSI Taylor said that he received a report from Siu Tai-chi, owner of the Tai Fong Lime Klin at Lau Fau Shan, at 11 p.m. on March 11 that his son, Siu Tak-hong had been kidnapped, and that a fok, Fung Ki, was murdered.

Witness arrived on the scene at 12.15 a.m. the following morning and found that the dead man had been shot through the left shoulder at close range.

On March 15, continued witness, he went with Det.-Sgt. Chu Sum, Det.-Cpl. Lau You and Det. Lui Wu-yik, to an unnumbered house at Tai Kai Village, near Lau Fau where they saw the accused. Questioned about the murder and kidnapping, defendant denied all knowledge of the affair.

At 10.45 p.m. the same day, accused, elected to make a voluntary statement, after he had been cautioned, in which he allegedly stated that he went to Lau Fau Shan with four other men at 8 p.m. on March 11. Two

of the men who were armed went up to "catch a man."

He waited outside the Klin and, after the four men had left, he threw a letter over the wall of the Klin.

By appointment, allegedly vili-

ning a man from Ha Chuen vil-

lage the following day and told

him that the ransom was \$5,000.

Payable at 3 p.m. the day follow-

ing. The next day he was told

that \$5,000 could not be raised

because a counter-offer of \$3,000.

This was refused by Li Ping, the

alleged leader.

Continuing, DSI Taylor said that, prior to the statement, the Police was unaware of negotiations being conducted between Siu Tai-chi and the kidnappers.

Defendant was charged on March 17 in the presence of Mr. Fraser, Div.-Supt. New Territories.

Hearing was adjourned to 12 noon on June 1.

### BURGLARS SENTENCED

Tam Pak-hung (44) was sentenced to three years' hard labour by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday on two counts of burglary and two of larceny, while Tam Kwan (35) received one year and nine months for burglary, larceny and possession of instruments fit for an unlawful purpose.

Det. Sub-Inspector W. G. Mor-

rison said that first defendant

was arrested by a detective at

1.30 a.m. on May 21. A search

of 594 Canton Road, ground floor, produced 34 pawn tickets. He

took the Police to Ilidemola

Street, where another three

pawnshops were found.

First accused then took the

Police to 105 Kluang Street, first

floor, where two safes and a quantity of cash were recovered.

Second accused was arrested

at a pawnshop in Kluang Street.

A search of the premises pro-

duced two safes, two files and a pair of pliers.

excuse for the Commissioner's statement re. the force being understrength in the European branch, when he had a number of competent and fully trained men at his command, but ruthlessly dispensed with their services, presumably through sheer prejudice. It will be recalled that in December 1945 and January 1946, about 45 members of the defunct Shanghai Municipal Police were arrived in Hong Kong to take up positions in the very much reduced Hong Kong Police Force. We were given one year agreements with no "proviso to prospects," and posted to various stations where we got down to cleaning up the debris of Japanese occupation and organizing the proper working of the various districts and stations. In the meantime the permanent staff of the Hong Kong Police (Europeans) had already gone home on recuperation leave or were in the course of being sent home at the exigencies of the service permitted. We of the S.M.P. had forgone our recuperation leave with the object of rehabilitating ourselves and families in the position which we had held for years and been trained for. After strenuous months of work the Hong Kong Police took on some semblance of an organized force. Knowing the position the force was in with regard to the European Branch imagine our dismay when everyone of us received our marching orders as from February 23rd 1947 with no other explanation than "On termination of agreement."

Several of us had already submitted our applications for inclusion on the permanent staff, but were all turned down without any justifiable reason. We were all given a certificate of service with conduct "VERY GOOD."

We know from good authority that on the abolition of Extra-territorial rights in Shanghai, the case of the ex S.M.P. employees was brought up in the House of Commons when it was decided that they would be absorbed in various Colonial Forces and Departments as far as possible. Apparently this did not include the Hong Kong Police Force. Just why the services of the S.M.C. Police were dispensed with is a question which only the Commissioner of Police or probably the Colonial Secretary can answer and I think calls for an explanation in view of the situation which has now developed. I only hope that the ex Palestine Police who arrive here are given better treatment than that which befell the ex S.M.P.

X.S.M.P.

### Political Dictator!

Sir,—I turned on the radio just after 9.30 last night and immediately the speech in progress was over I telephoned ZBW to inquire what the speaker was. (a) who the speaker was. (b) whether there is any censorship in this colony; and if, as in the case for speakers on the BBC speeches have to be submitted beforehand to be vetted by the censors? My informant said it was Monsieur Fulton J. Sheen and added in a voice filled with awe the said person's scholastic qualifications. With regard to my second query his reply was that he did not know as he was only the announcer.

My first protest is that at the end of the broadcast, the announcer saw fit to comment on the speech which surely is not one of his duties and his fervent appreciation both in voice and choice of words was particularly distasteful to people who did not find Monsieur Fulton J. Sheen's broadcast inspiring, but sadly lacking in the spirit of Christianity and in the spirit of brotherhood of all nations, not just of two selected nations. Also to hear a churchman using Christianity as a cloak for broadcasting a political dictat leaves an unpleasant taste in one's mouth and calls for protest from

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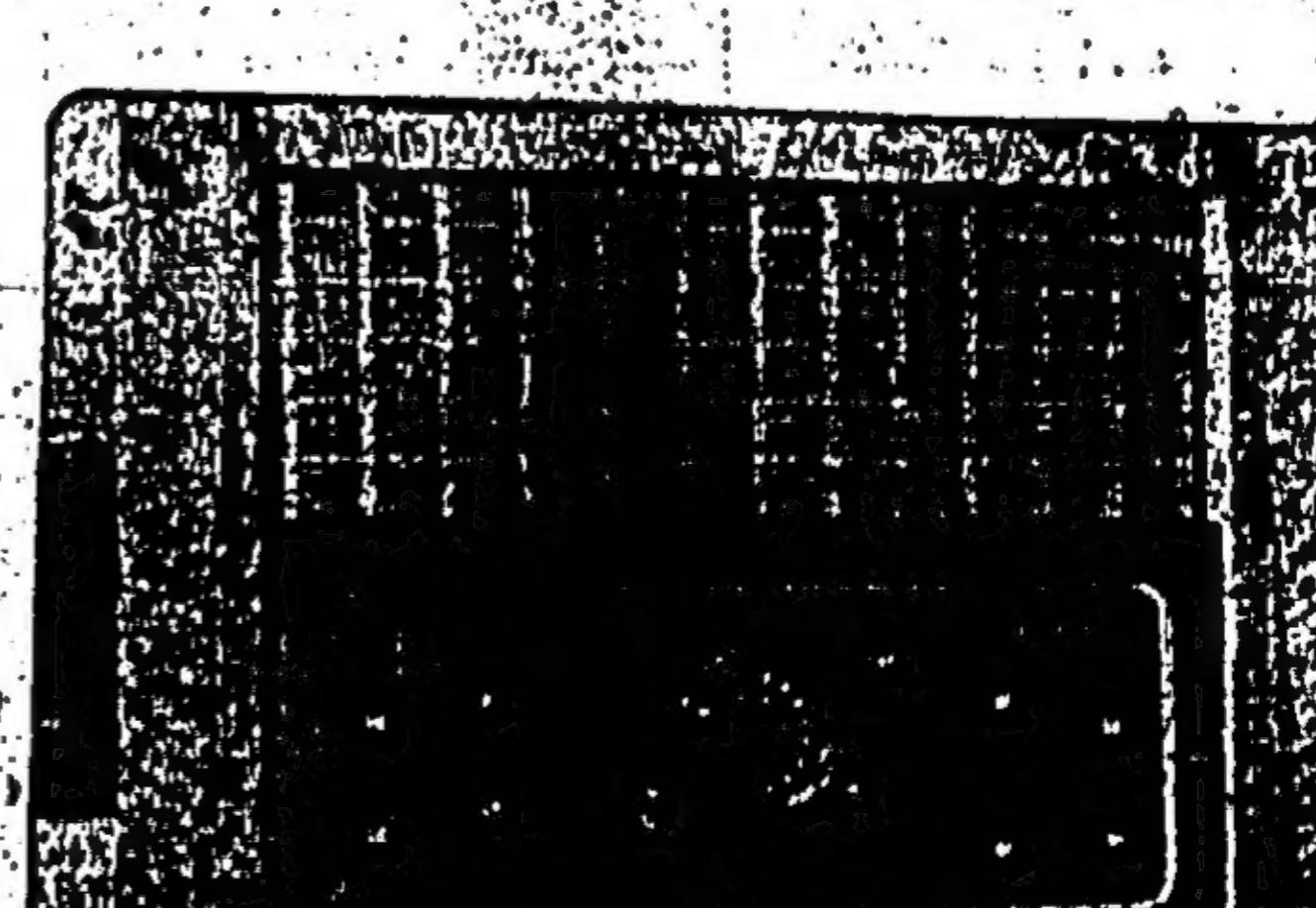
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### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1947.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twelfth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the abovementioned Company will be held at 601/600 Marina House, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 17th June 1948, at 12.30 p.m. for the following purposes.

To receive and consider the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September 1947, to confirm the appointment of a Director, to elect Directors, and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 7th to the 17th June 1948, both days inclusive.

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Mr. Morrison, reserved his decision on both points.

The British public and press in the meantime are becoming increasingly exasperated with Mr. Bevin's Palestine policy.

"The Times," "Daily Mail" and the "Manchester Guardian" all demanded again that Britain withdraw its regular army officers from Trans-Jordan's Arab Legion.

Informed sources believed that the Cabinet has authorised Mr. Bevin to recall the 21 officers loaned to Trans-Jordan under the Anglo-Trans-Jordan Alliance if the Arabs rejected the truce appeal. Foreign sources said today, however, that Mr. Bevin has still apparently not definitely made up his mind to recall them.

Fuming

Mr. Bevin is believed to be still fuming over President Truman's reported intimation of an American loan and arms for Israel. He thought that the report had helped the Arabs to decide against a truce.

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Tickets may also be renewed at Queen's Building, Connaught Road, Entrance, near Star Ferry on 28th, 29th, 31st May and 1st June.

V. WALKER  
Acting General Manager  
26th May, 1948.

28th May, 1948.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT

### MEDICAL DEPT.

It is notified for general information that the Port Health Office will be situated in the Marine Department Building, Connaught Road, Central, as from 29th May, 1948.

Telephone numbers remain unchanged.

G. H. THOMAS,  
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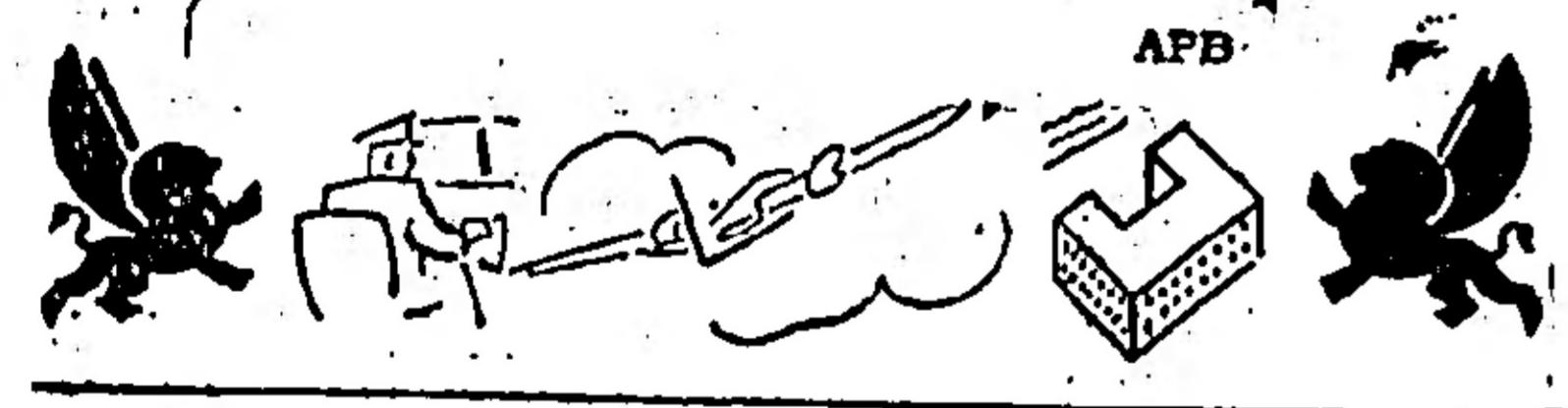
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Maj-Gen. Mackesy had been selected on April 5 to command any expedition which might be sent to Narvik. His instructions were couched in a form appropriate to the case of a friendly neutral Power from whom some facilities are required. They contained among their appendices the following reference to bombardment:

It is clearly illegal to bomb and a populated area in the hope of hitting a legitimate target which is known to be in the area but which cannot be precisely located and identified.

In the face of the German onslaught new and stiffer instructions were issued to the General on the 10th. They gave him more latitude, but did not cancel this particular injunction. Their substance was as follows:

The object of the force will be to eject the Germans from the Narvik area and establish control of Narvik itself. Your initial task will be to establish your force at Harstad [on the island of Hinda, 25 miles away], ensure the co-operation of Norwegian forces that may be there, and obtain the information necessary to enable you to plan your further operations.

It is not intended that you should land in the face of opposition.... The decision whether to land or not will be taken by the Senior Naval Officer in consultation with you.

If landing is impossible at Harstad some other suitable locality should be tried. A landing must be carried out when you have sufficient troops.

At the same time a personal letter from Gen. Ironside, the C.I.G.S., was given to Gen. Mackesy which included the remark:

You may have a chance of taking advantage of naval action and should do so if you can. Boldness is required. This struck a somewhat different note from the formal instructions.

Adm. Pound and I were both agreed from slightly different angles that Lord Cork and Overy should command the naval forces in this amphibious adventure in the north.... We both urged him not to hesitate to run risks and strike hard to seize Narvik. As we were all agreed and could talk things over together, we left him exceptional discretion, and did not give him any written orders. He knew exactly what we wanted. In his dispatch he says:

My impression on leaving London was quite clear that it was desired by His Majesty's Government to turn the enemy out of Narvik at the earliest possible moment, and that I was to act with all promptitude in order to attain this result.

Our staff-work at this time had not been tempered by war experience, nor was the action of the Service Departments concerted except by the meetings of the Military Co-ordination Committee, over which I had just begun to preside. Neither I, as chairman of the Committee, nor the Admiralty were made acquainted with the War Office instructions to Gen. Mackesy, and as the Admiralty directions had been given orally to Lord Cork, there was no written text to communicate to the War Office.

The instructions of the two Departments, although dictated by the same purpose, were somewhat different in tone and emphasis, and this may have helped to cause the divergences which presently developed between the military and naval commanders.

Lord Cork sailed from Rosyth at high speed in the Aurora on the night of April 12. He had intended to meet General Mackesy at Harstad, a small port on the island of Hinnay [Vangs Fjord]. On the 14th, he received a signal from Admiral Whitworth in the Warspite, who had earlier met all the German destroyers and supply ships the day before, saying:

I am convinced that Narvik can be taken by direct assault now without fear of meeting any serious opposition on land and consider that the main task once taken may be small.

Lord Cork therefore diverted the Aurora to Sleda Fjord in the Lofoten Islands, docking the ship

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**NARVIK: DIVIDED COMMAND**

German forces in Narvik. But we should not allow the operation to degenerate into an investment except after a very determined battle. On this understanding I was willing to send a telegram to the French, saying that we hoped and thought that we should be successful in seizing Narvik by a coup-de-main.

It was decided by the War Cabinet to attempt both the Narvik and Trondheim operations and to inform the Swedish and Norwegian Governments. We added that we had no intention to march through the snow, but on the other hand, landings from open boats both in Narvik harbour and in Rombaks Fjord under machine-gun fire.

The Committee agreed to the telegram, which was accordingly sent. It produced no effect. It must remain a matter of opinion whether such an assault would have succeeded. It involved no marches through the snow, but on the other hand, landings from open boats both in Narvik harbour and in Rombaks Fjord under machine-gun fire.

I counted upon the effect of close-range bombardment by the tremendous ship-batteries which would blast the water-fronts and cover with smoke and clouds of smoke and earth the whole of the German machine-gun posts. Suitable high-explosive shells had been provided by the Admiralty both for the battleship and the destroyers.

When we contrast this spirit of repulse would fall exclusively on the home authorities, and, very directly upon me. I was content that this should be so; but nothing I or my colleagues or Cork could do or say produced the slightest effect on the General.

Neither I nor Mr. Stanley (the Secretary for War) liked the idea of attempting both the Narvik and Trondheim operations and to inform the Swedish and Norwegian Governments. We added that we had no intention to march through the snow, and earth the whole of the German machine-gun posts. Suitable high-explosive shells had been provided by the Admiralty both for the battleship and the destroyers.

Certainly Lord Cork, on the spot and able to measure the character of the bombardment, was strongly in favour of making the attempt. We had over 4,000 of our best regular troops, including the Guards Brigade and Marines, who, once they set foot on shore, would become intermingled at close quarters with the German defenders, whose regular troops, apart from the crews rescued from the sunken destroyers, we lay in wait till the snow melted. As for the bombardment, he could point to the paragraph in his instructions against endangering the civil population.

When we contrast this spirit of repulse with the absolutely reckless gambling in lives and ships and the almost frenzied vigour based upon long and profound calculations, which had gained the Germans their brilliant success, the disadvantages under which we lay in waging this campaign are obvious.

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**War Revelation:****ROYAL FAMILY MEANT TO STAY IN UK**

New York, May 27,

The unqualified determination of the Royal Family, Prime Minister Mr. Winston Churchill, and the whole British Government to stay in Britain and go down, if necessary under a Nazi invasion, was disclosed in an article based on the secret papers of Mr. Harry Hopkins, President Franklin D. Roosevelt's personal assistant, published in Collier's Magazine here today.

The article, written by Mr. Robert Sherwood, famous playwright and another of Mr. Roosevelt's wartime assistants, declared that Mr. Churchill had told Mr. Roosevelt that "If Britain went down, he and his Government would perish with it."

Mr. Hopkins said that he learned that the British Government did not have even a skeleton staff for evacuation to Canada or anywhere else.

He quoted Mr. Roosevelt as saying: "The British Navy should take over the Singapore base, but warned that the British Army would be ended—at least temporarily—and the leadership of the remaining units of the British Commonwealth would pass to Washington."

He quoted Queen Elizabeth as declaring, in response to a question from the Dominions, that the Princesses were evacuated, that "the Princesses could never leave without me and I could never leave without the King. Of course the King will never leave."

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BRITON SHOT DOWN

Cairo, May 27,

A government communiqué today said that two Americans, one English, and one Dutch, were among the captured members of two Israeli planes shot down by Egyptian anti-aircraft gunners over Palestine yesterday.

United Press.

Dramatic Message

Mr. Churchill sent a dramatic message to Mr. Roosevelt in the summer of 1940—a year and a half before Pearl Harbour—appealing to him to bring the United States into the war as the only means by which France might be saved;

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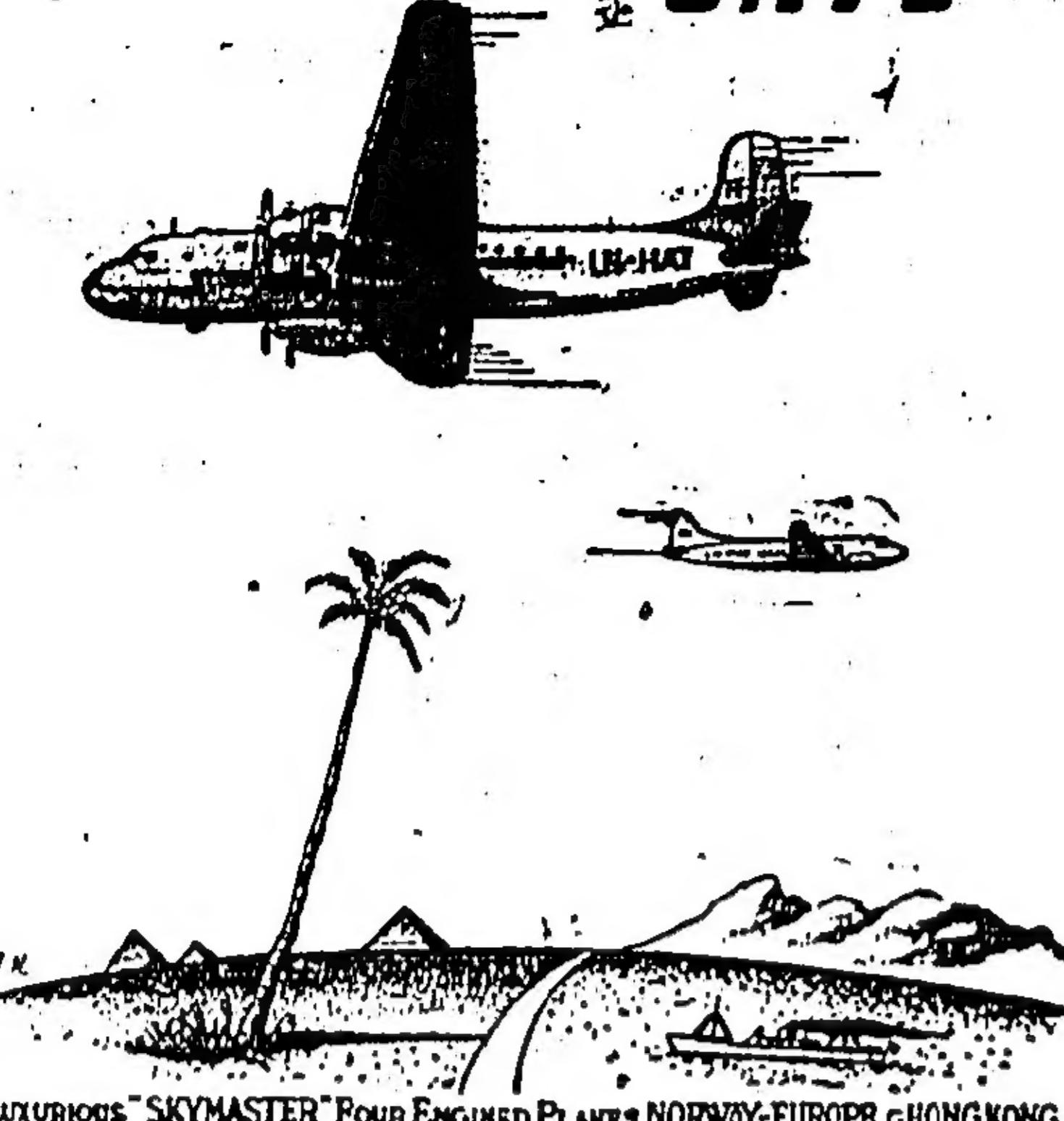
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**ABDULLAH IN JERUSALEM****Jews Fighting Last Battle In Holy City**  
**Transjordan's Demand For Unconditional Surrender**

King Abdullah of Transjordan, Commander-in-Chief of the Arab armies in Palestine, drove into Jerusalem today while the last pocket of Jews in the great Synagogue in the Old City felt the choking smoke and the heat of flames when Arab Legion sappers blew up large buildings used by Jewish resistance men.

With the fall of the Holy City seen only as a matter of time, a Lake Success report says that new instructions from London, understood to contain proposals for a fresh approach to the thorny Palestine problem, were received tonight by the British delegation to the United Nations.

It is expected that Sir Alexander Cadogan, Chief British delegate, would make an important announcement later.

Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, through an emissary, is meanwhile understood to have told Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin that the whole future of the United Nations Organisation depended on a solution of the Palestine problem.

He expressed his concern at some of the implications of British policy in the Holy Land through the emissary, Commander Robert G. S. Jackson, Assistant Secretary-General, who flew to London on a secret mission.

Cmdr. Jackson stayed in London for about four days and saw Mr. Bevin and other members of the British Cabinet. The emissary is understood to have given Mr. Bevin Mr. Lie's views on how the situation might be improved from the point of view of the United Nations.

**Last Battle**

With United Nations circles hopeful that new measures may be found to bring about a settlement of the Palestine issue, Jews caught in the Old City of Jerusalem were fighting their last battle.

One of the final points of resistance from the Jews appears to be in the area of the Great Synagogue, which Arab forces have so far not yet attacked. The Legion Commander in the Holy City has given orders to his Legionnaires to occupy the Synagogue but not to blow it up unless it is confirmed that the Jews are using it as a stronghold.

King Abdullah's entry into Jerusalem came about when the Transjordan ruler and commander of all Arab forces in Palestine paid a visit to his son, Emir Naji, who is serving with the Arab Legion. It was the King's first visit to Jerusalem since the Legion entered Palestine.

**Security Council**

United Nations Security Council delegates, meanwhile, had before them tonight the question whether aggression had taken place in Palestine, and if so, what measures to take after yesterday's Arab counter-proposals to the cease-fire period.

The United States delegation consulted Washington before tonight's crucial meeting of the Council.

In London, the Cabinet met to discuss Britain's attitude, and Foreign Minister Mr. Bevin also had his fourth meeting with the American Ambassador, Mr. Lewis Douglas, and was received in audience by the King.

Chief subject of these talks, it was believed, was the possible withdrawal of 37 British officers serving with the Transjordan Arab Legion.

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**Heavy Fighting**

These international moves were the background to heavy fighting in Palestine when Haganah Jews renewed their onslaught on Latrun, key Arab point on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road, 20 miles from the Holy City.

As the Arabs were reinforced at Latrun, according to Jewish sources from Shequl Jarrab, the Jews heavily counter-attacked this quarter of Jerusalem, and blew up an Arab position.

According to an Arab account, the Jews were repulsed after heavy fighting which lasted three hours.

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**Pakistan And Palestine**

Karachi, May 27. The Pakistani Parliament today passed unanimously a resolution calling on the Pakistan Government "not to accord any kind of recognition to the so-called State of Israel," and to oppose its admission to the United Nations.

The resolution also asked the Pakistani Government to "convey to the Arab League and the Arabs of Palestine the deep sympathy of Pakistan with their struggle in the cause of justice and peace."—Reuter.

live together in equal rights and privileges."

He added that "although Jews and Arabs would belong to the same nation, legal autonomy might be granted in certain areas."

"Nobody in Transjordan wants a cease-fire except on an unconditional surrender of the Jews and a declaration by them that they have abandoned the idea of a Jewish state," the spokesman added.—Reuter.

Arab aims

A Transjordan Foreign Office spokesman, meanwhile, said in Amman today the aim of the Arab nations fighting in Palestine was to set up a "United States in which Arabs and Jews could

**PALESTINE ARMISTICE DEMAND BY BRITAIN**

Lake Success, May 27. Britain demanded tonight a four weeks' armistice in Palestine and a peaceful settlement of the Holy Land conflict.

Britain made a final move for peaceful mediation between Arabs and Jews after Russia called on the United Nations-Security Council for the strongest possible action to force an end to the fighting.

Sir Alexander Cadogan gave the Council a resolution apparently drafted by Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin. In London after conferences there with the United States Ambassador.

In a long policy statement to the Council, Sir Alexander said that if this attempt at peaceful solution failed, Britain would be ready to go along with the other nations on strong enforcement measures.

In the resolution, Sir Alexander called on both Jews and Arabs to order a cessation of all acts of armed force for a period of four weeks.

**Arab Objections**

In the draft, apparently drawn up to overcome Arab objections to an unconditional ceasefire, he also demanded that both sides stop introducing fighting men and material into Palestine during the four week period.

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**Secret Cyprus Operation**

Washington, May 27. The United States Air Force today denied flatly that there were troops on board the 19 transport planes which landed at Cyprus yesterday, except possibly one or two soldiers carried along as security guards.

An Air Force spokesman issued the denial when commenting on reports from Cyprus that the transports, which the State Department sent to the Middle East to evacuate American citizens if necessary, carried troops and was equipped with arms and jeeps.

A Cyprus dispatch from Nicosia reported today that the RAF commander on the airfield had said the arrival of the planes—16 Dakotas and three Flying Fortresses—was being treated as a military secret operation.

In Washington, both the State Department and the US Air Force declined to comment on reports that America and Britain are discussing plans on the use of Cyprus as a naval and air base by Britain, and the United States.—Reuter.

FLYING SAUCER SUIT

Cannes, May 27. Pretty, Russian-born Mrs. Anna Hanjols, 26, was today awarded 25,000 francs damages as a result of a night club brawl in which flying crockery cut her in three places, and she said ruined her film career.

The award, which may be increased after two months' study by a committee of experts, is against 25-year-old Mrs. Edward Morris, said to be the daughter of a London bookmaker. Mrs. Hanjols had asked for 200,000 francs damages. She said that a plate, broken in the scuffle, cut her face, shoulder and chest. In court her lawyer produced a letter from an Italian film company saying that she could not be hired because of the scars.—Associated Press.

Athens, May 27. Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations Palestine mediator, arrived here tonight in his official white plane en route to Palestine.—Reuter.

**TEN MILLION DOLLAR LOAN TO TURKEY**

Washington, May 26. The Economic Cooperation Administration informed the Turkish Government today it was prepared to open negotiations for a \$10 million loan to Turkey for the April-June quarter of the European Recovery Programme.

The offer of the loan to Turkey brought the total amount of the Marshall Plan funds earmarked for loan purposes in the first quarter of the programme.

Mr. Paul Hoffman, the Chief Administrator, told the Turkish Government that if some of the loans they request should prove to be long-term projects, "it may be appropriate to grant loans for a larger amount" than the amount now offered.

The Administration also announced the allocations of \$237,000 for the purchase of cotton under the Marshall Plan. These dollar allocations were to:

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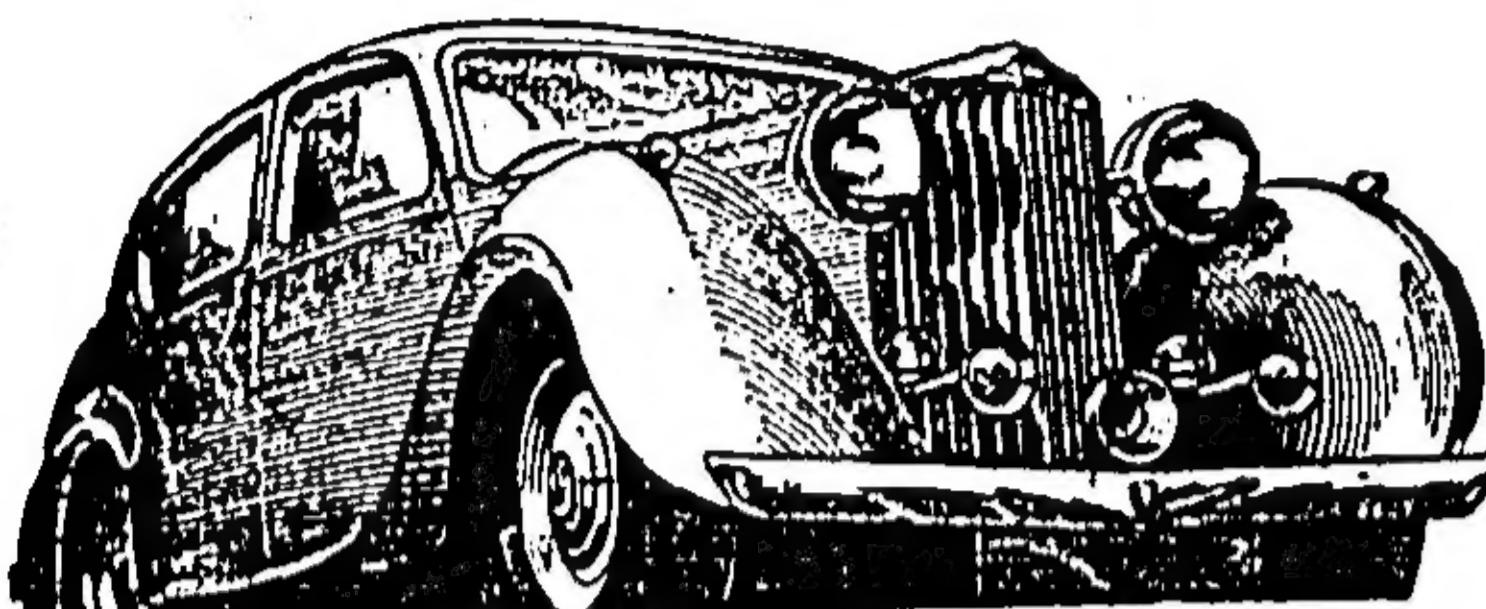
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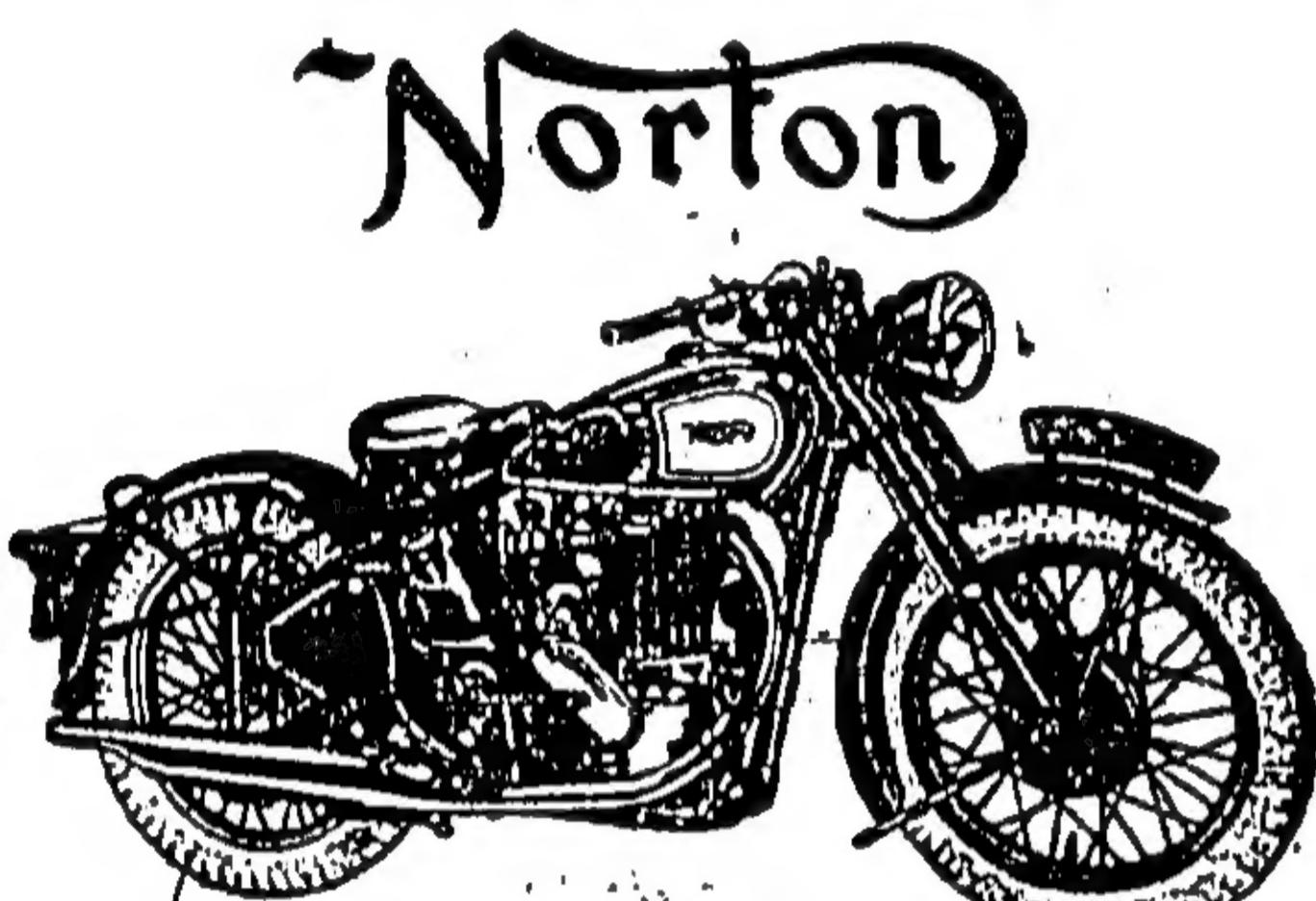
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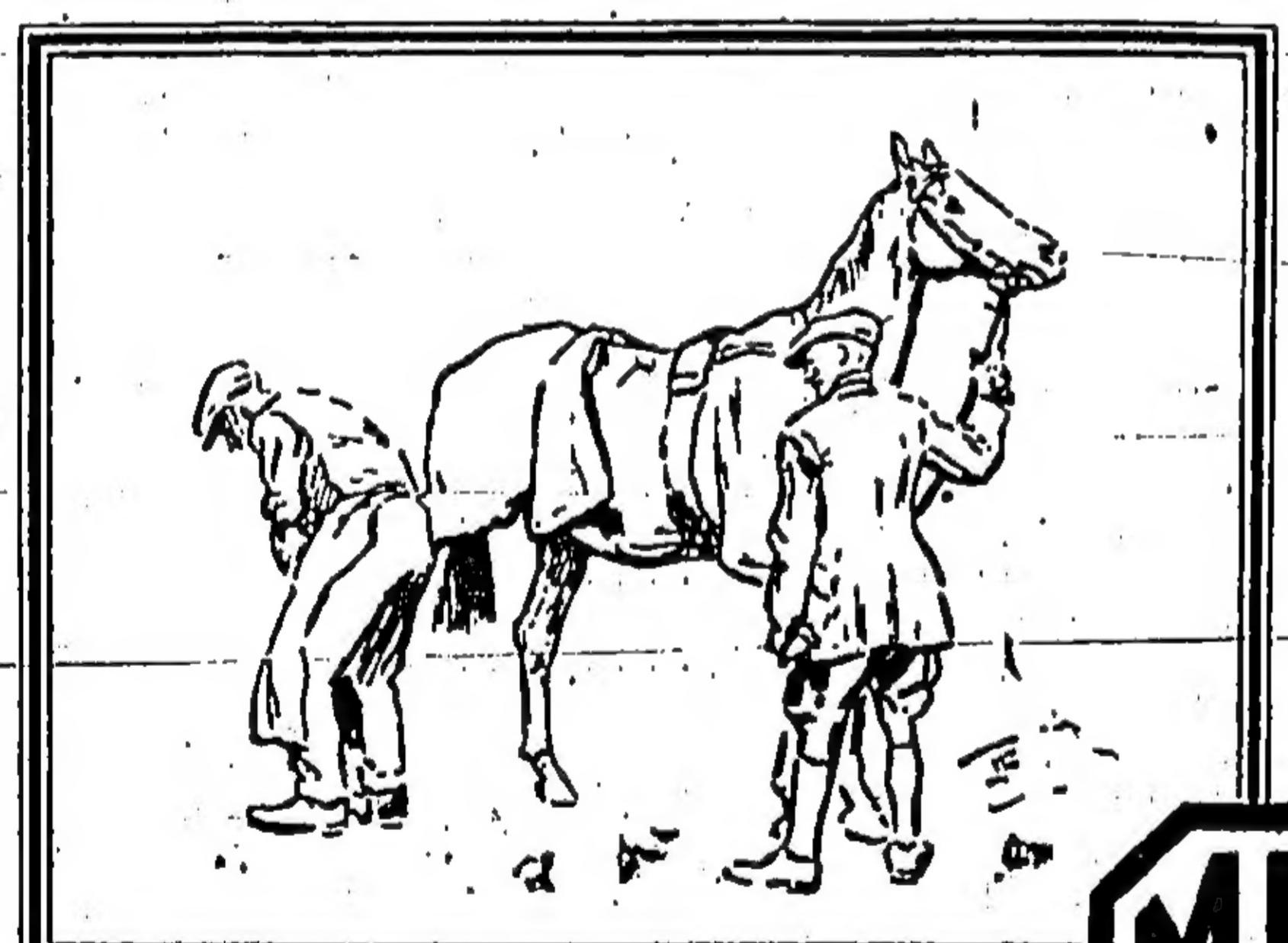
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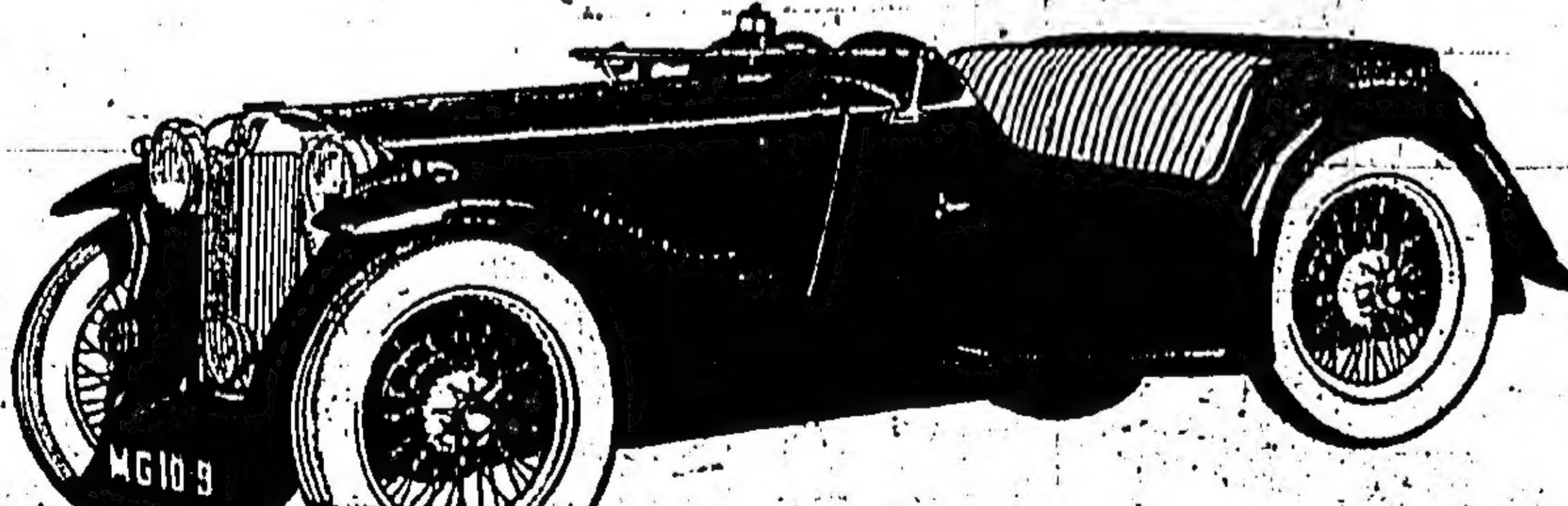


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If the gas turbine engineers get their head, these industries may be due for a terrific impact. Whether this will be for weal or woe will depend on the people in control.

If industrialists can adjust themselves rapidly, the country may gather new strength. If they fall in imagination and adaptability then Scotland may go into a wasting decline. The die is now being set for the final casting.

The idea behind the gas turbine is as old as Hero of Alexandria. He experimented with a simple steam turbine several hundred years before Christ. It consists in harnessing the power in a jet of gas (and steam is like any other gas to the scientist).

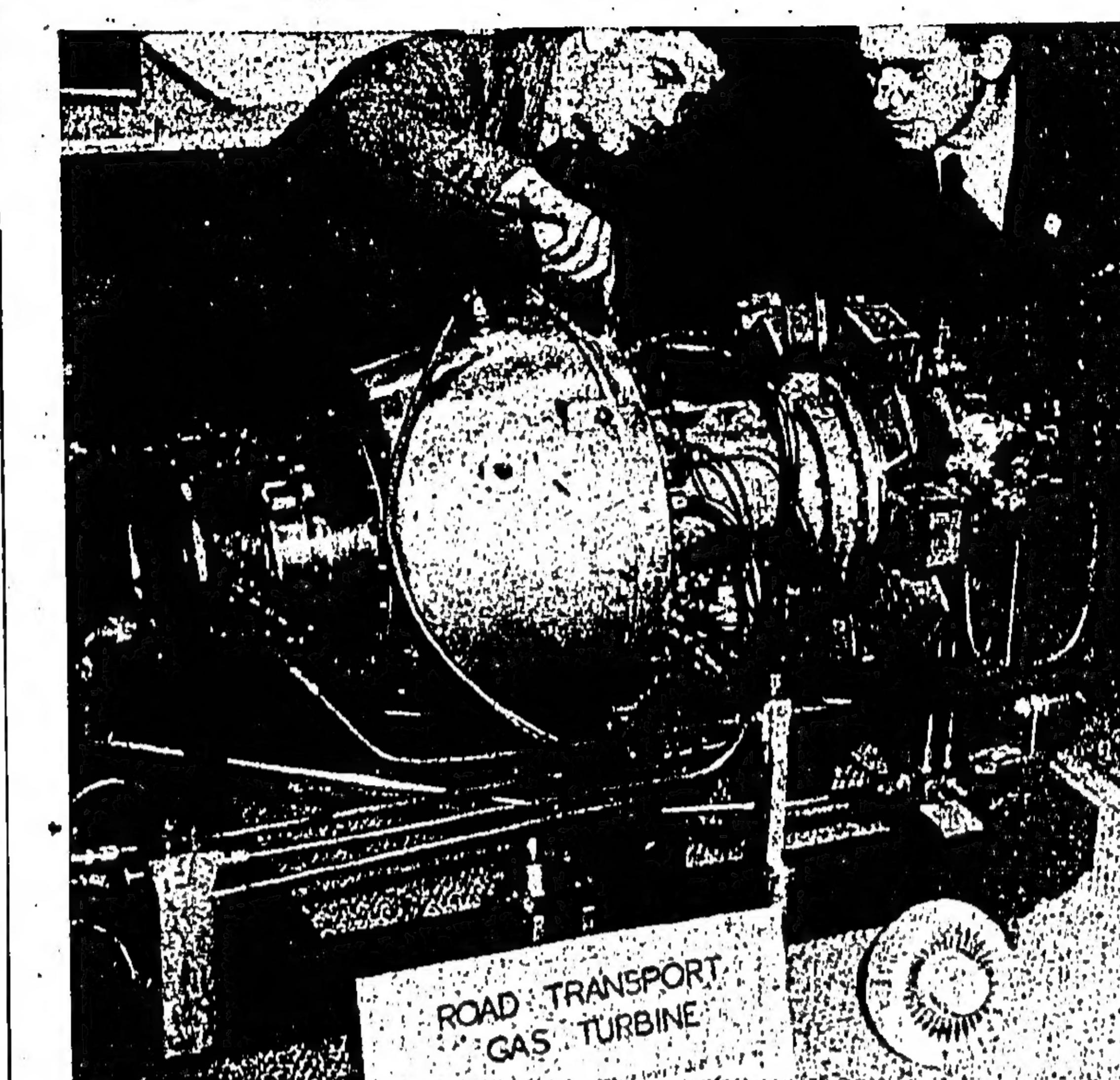
#### James Watt Was Crude

The idea, however, had to remain dormant for thousands of years until the engineer and metallurgist provided materials to make a proper engine. The limit to gas turbine development at the present day still lies with the engineer and the metallurgist.

James Watt's invention, though revolutionary, was comparatively crude. It consisted in burning coal under a boiler to raise steam, in leading that steam to a cylinder, in pushing a piston backwards and forwards, in converting the push-and-pull motion into rotation and thus getting a power supply.

All this meant that energy was lost at the various steps so that an ordinary steam engine worked from-a-boiler-house-is necessarily inefficient.

When the steam turbine was developed, the process was streamlined by cutting out two



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steps. Steam was led direct on to the blades of a revolving turbine, thus bypassing the push and pull motion and the need for changing reciprocation into rotary motion.

The internal combustion engineers had another idea. They burned the fuel right inside the cylinder, thus doing away with the crude arrangement of burning coal or oil to boil water to make steam.

The gas turbine is a synthesis of both the turbine and the internal combustion engine.

The casual onlooker may wonder what this has got to do with him. It is all very involved and scientific.

Well, the great thing about a gas turbine is not only its high

efficiency, close to the theoretical limit, but its virtual independence of water. That means that the whole system of mass power production may be set free from its dependence on rivers and lakes.

Hydro-electric power schemes take out the energy from falling water. That is easy to understand. What is not so well known is that steam power stations, using great coal burning boilers, also use tremendous volumes of water.

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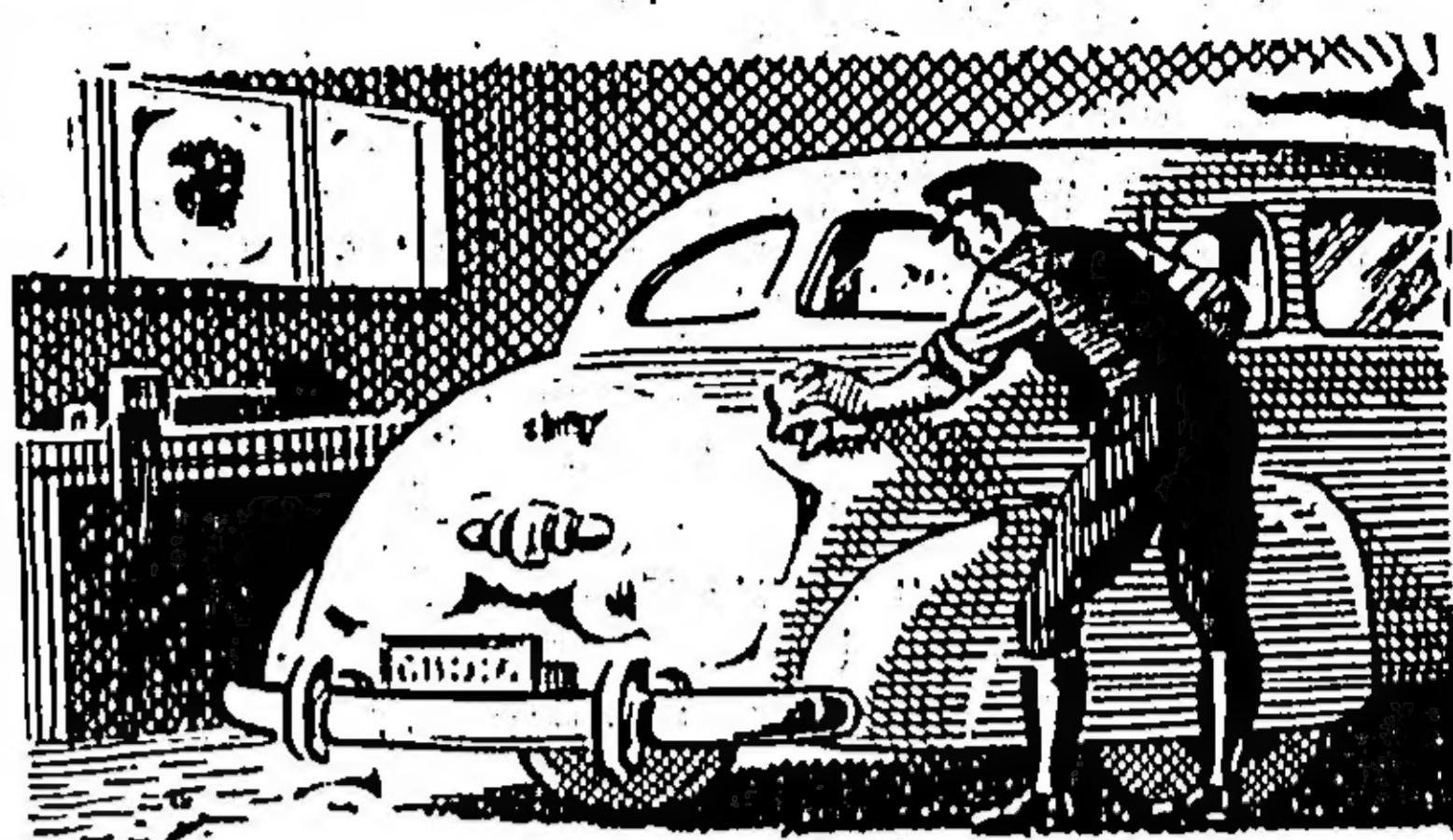
out of the river and is used for cooling the condensers.

#### Water Determined Industry

The upshot of this is that the centres of power production have to be located near water. They need it either for power, or for cooling. It is this, as much as anything else, which determines the hard skeleton of an industrial country.

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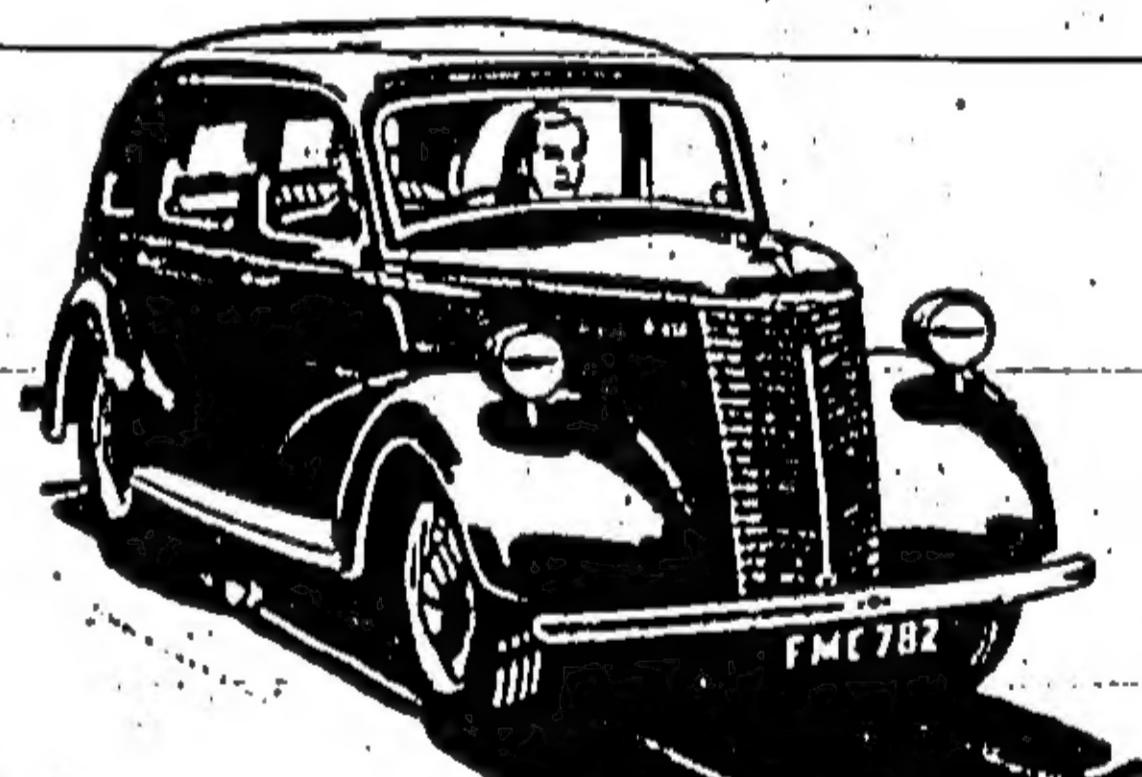
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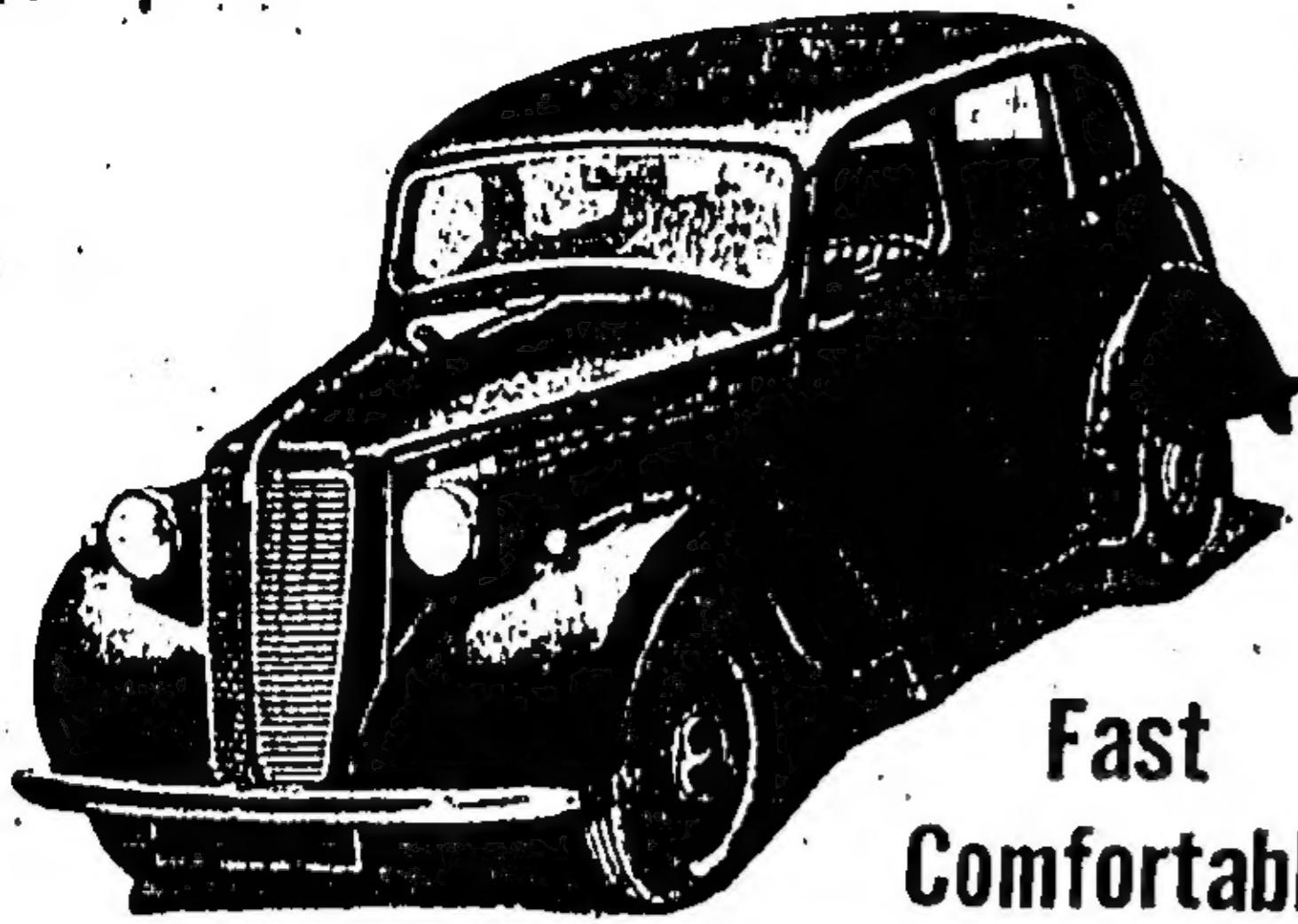
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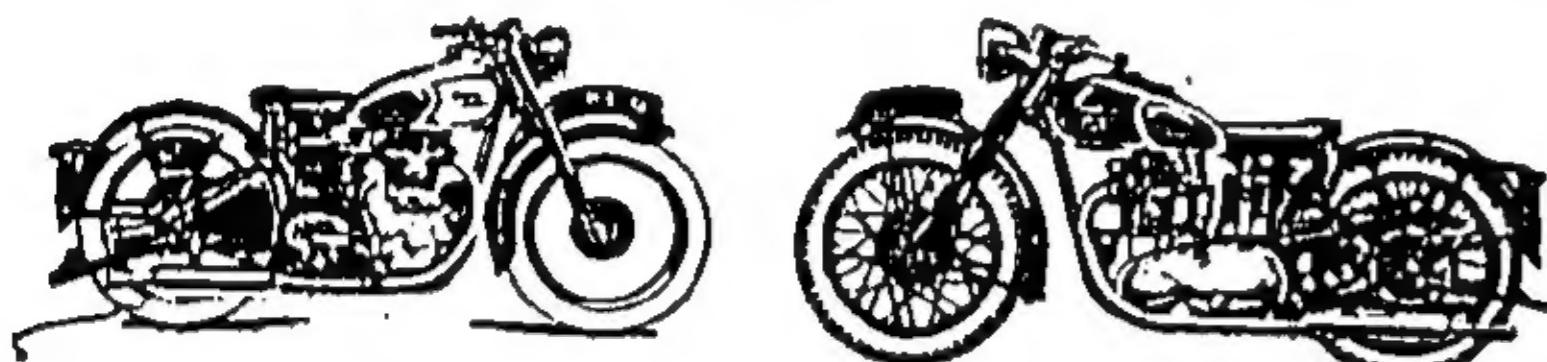


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# SWEDISH ARMY CHIEF ON VISIT TO NORWAY

## General Swedlund Takes "Vacation"

Oslo, May 27.  
Major General Nils Swedlund, Chief of the Swedish Defence Staff, arrived in Oslo today by private aeroplane on a 10-day visit to Norway. He was welcomed by high Norwegian officers and will make a tour of the south Norwegian coast districts in company with his Norwegian counterpart, Lieut. General Ole Berg, Chief of Norway's Defence Staff.

While the visit is described as being of a "private nature" and for "vacation purposes" observers pointed out that it came at a time when the question of Scandinavian defence was conspicuously in the focus of the popular as well as Government discussions in the three Nordic countries.

Immediately following the Communist seizure of power in Czechoslovakia and the subsequent Soviet invitation to Finland to work out a treaty of mutual assistance and friendship, a debate on the defence of the Scandinavian peninsula began to become intense.

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The Danish defence commission has been busy in the meantime to study Denmark's defence requirements. A reconstruction and

modernising plan is reported to be nearly completed which aims a considerable strengthening of the Danish defence in the next three years.

In Copenhagen the Berlingske Aftensavne reported a few days ago, 300 to 400 million kroners may be demanded by this committee. The paper Ekstrabladet believed that the figure eventually may be much higher and a total amount of 1,000 million kroners (200 million dollars) may be requested for the Danish three-year defence scheme.—United Press.

### SECOND U.S. PROTEST

Washington, May 27. The United States today delivered a second protest to Lebanon against the forcible removal of 41 American citizens destined for Israel from the U.S. Marine Corps in Beirut last week.

A State Department spokesman declined to go into any details of this new protest.—Reuter.

### Defence Needs

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## Communist Demand For Protest

Rome, May 27. Palmiro Togliatti, Secretary of the Communist Party, demanded today that the Government protest to the United States against the American report on Communism, because it is an "insult" to the Italians and an "interference in our internal affairs."

The demand is the third formal Communist Parliamentary move against the new Government and was in the shape of a question to Premier de Gasperi and the Foreign Office which will be answered in the Senate and the House next week.

## Javanese Protest To Dutch

Batavia, May 27. The Indonesian Republican Government protested today against the "Dutch-sponsored" convention of non-Republican Indonesians now being held at Bandung, in west Java, according to Antara, the Republican news agency.

Thirteen non-Republican Indonesian territories are taking part in the convention, which was opened today by Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, Dutch Lieutenant Governor-General.

The Republican Ministry of Information, in a statement to-night, said the Republican Government would draw the attention of the Security Council and the United Nations Good Offices Committee to developments leading to the present state of confusion in Indonesia.

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## Quislings In America

Washington, May 27. Mr. Paul Griffith, a former commander of the American Legion, declared here today that 100,000 trained and seasoned Quislings of the Communist front threaten the United States.

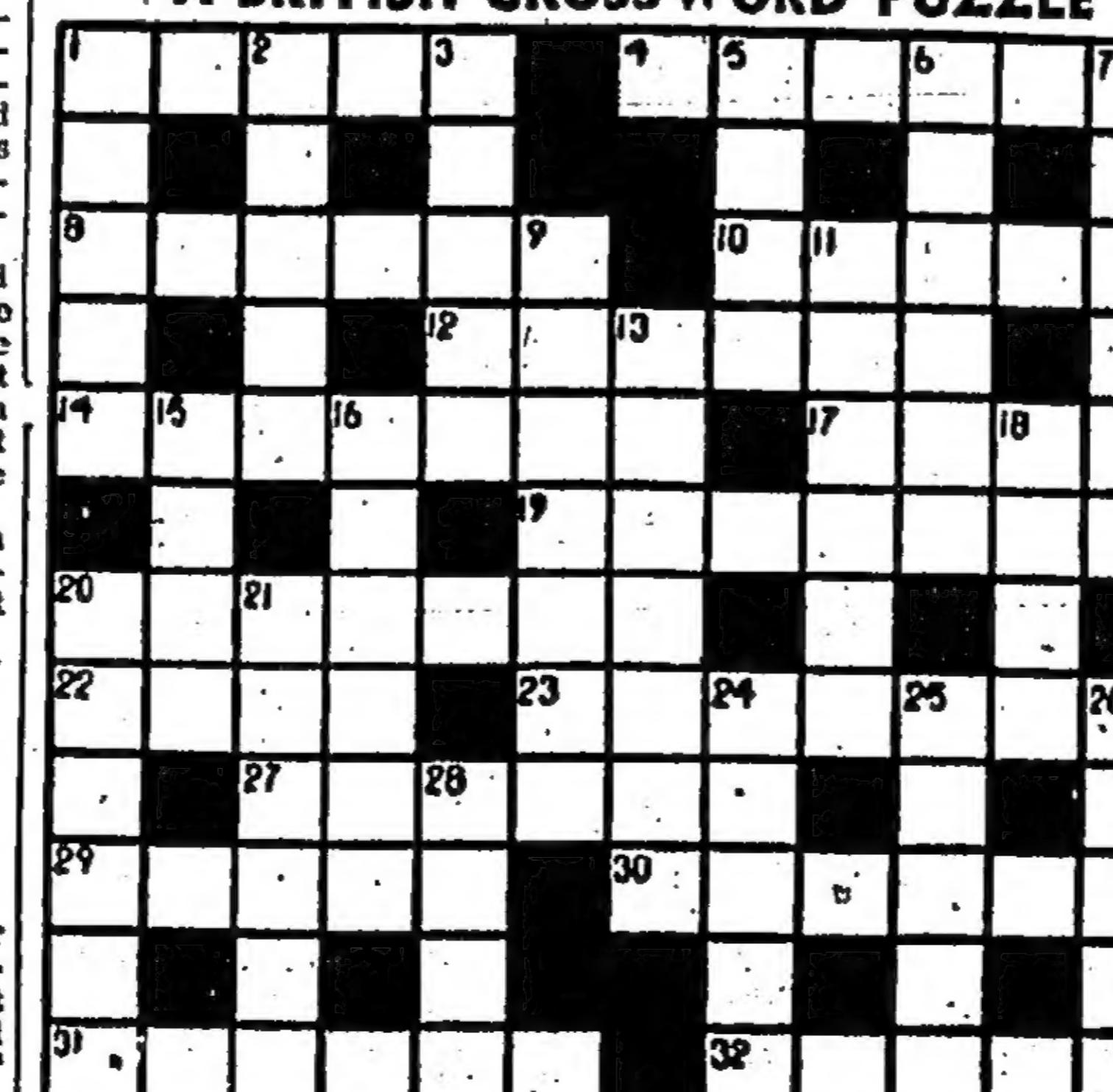
He told a Senate Committee considering a Bill to curb Communists that "we have today in our midst the largest fifth column of potential spies, saboteurs, demoralisers, traitors and wreckers ever seen in modern times."

He declared that "Quislings" were aided by an estimated one million or more fellow-travellers, sympathisers and dupes.—Reuter.

## MISSION TO PI

Manila, May 27. About 500 prominent Chinese men and women are coming to the Philippines on a goodwill mission. It was reported here today.—Reuter.

## A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### Clues Across

- 1 Small fish.
- 22 Ancient Peruvian.
- 23 Cartilage.
- 27 Freedom of approach.
- 28 Offspring.
- 29 Son.
- 30 Take ill.
- 31 Dodges.
- 32 Happenings.
- 33 Expressive.
- 34 Action.
- 35 Considered.
- 36 Turn aside.
- 37 Card stake.
- 38 Dispensed.
- 39 Opposite.
- 40 Level.
- 41 Extreme.
- 42 Dalliance.
- 43 Returned.
- 44 Credit.
- 45 Freebooter.
- 46 Card staking.
- 47 Card stakes.
- 48 Expressive.
- 49 Strangle.
- 50 Unouched.
- 51 Reiste.
- 52 Titter.
- 53 Nonsense.
- 54 Son.
- 55 Supply.
- 56 Considered.
- 57 Take ill.
- 58 Turn aside.
- 59 Pilies.
- 60 Royal dynasty.
- 61 Follow-on.
- 62 Code.
- 63 Note.
- 64 Drive back.
- 65 Short supply.
- 66 Mohammedan world.
- 67 Considered.
- 68 Take ill.
- 69 Dodges.
- 70 Happenings.
- 71 Expressive.
- 72 Strangle.
- 73 Cor.
- 74 Pool.
- 75 Rest.
- 76 Luck.
- 77 Dread.
- 78 Dense.
- 79 Loose.
- 80 Epoch.
- 81 Salad.
- 82 Alter.
- 83 Scan.
- 84 Real.
- 85 Bent.
- 86 Egy.

### Clues Down

- 1 Undergrowth.
- 2 Drive back.
- 3 Nonsense.
- 4 Son.
- 5 Supply.
- 6 Considered.
- 7 Take ill.
- 8 Turn aside.
- 9 Pilies.
- 10 Royal dynasty.
- 11 Follow-on.
- 12 Freebooter.
- 13 Opposite.
- 14 Credit.
- 15 Level.
- 16 Considered.
- 17 Card stake.
- 18 Strangle.
- 19 Doubts.
- 20 Alter.
- 21 Scan.
- 22 Real.
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- 29 Loose.
- 30 Epoch.
- 31 Salad.
- 32 Alter.
- 33 Scan.
- 34 Real.
- 35 Bent.
- 36 Egy.

### Yesterday's Crossword

- Across—3. Appalled. 8. Anon.
- 9. Mediocre. 11. Elevated. 12. Eyed. 15. Cousins. 16. Speakers. 19. Boat. 21. Scramble. 23. Attach.
- Down—1. Rate. 2. Core. 4. Pool. 5. Arid. 6. Lucky. 7. Dread. 9. Mats. 10. Dense. 12. Loose. 14. Enrol. 15. Epoch. 17. Salad. 19. Brains. 20. Alter. 21. Scan. 22. Real. 23. Bent. 24. Egy.

## Bacteria Warfare Charge

Lake Success, May 27. In the Security Council today Egypt charged the Palestine Jews with poisoning wells with bacteria.

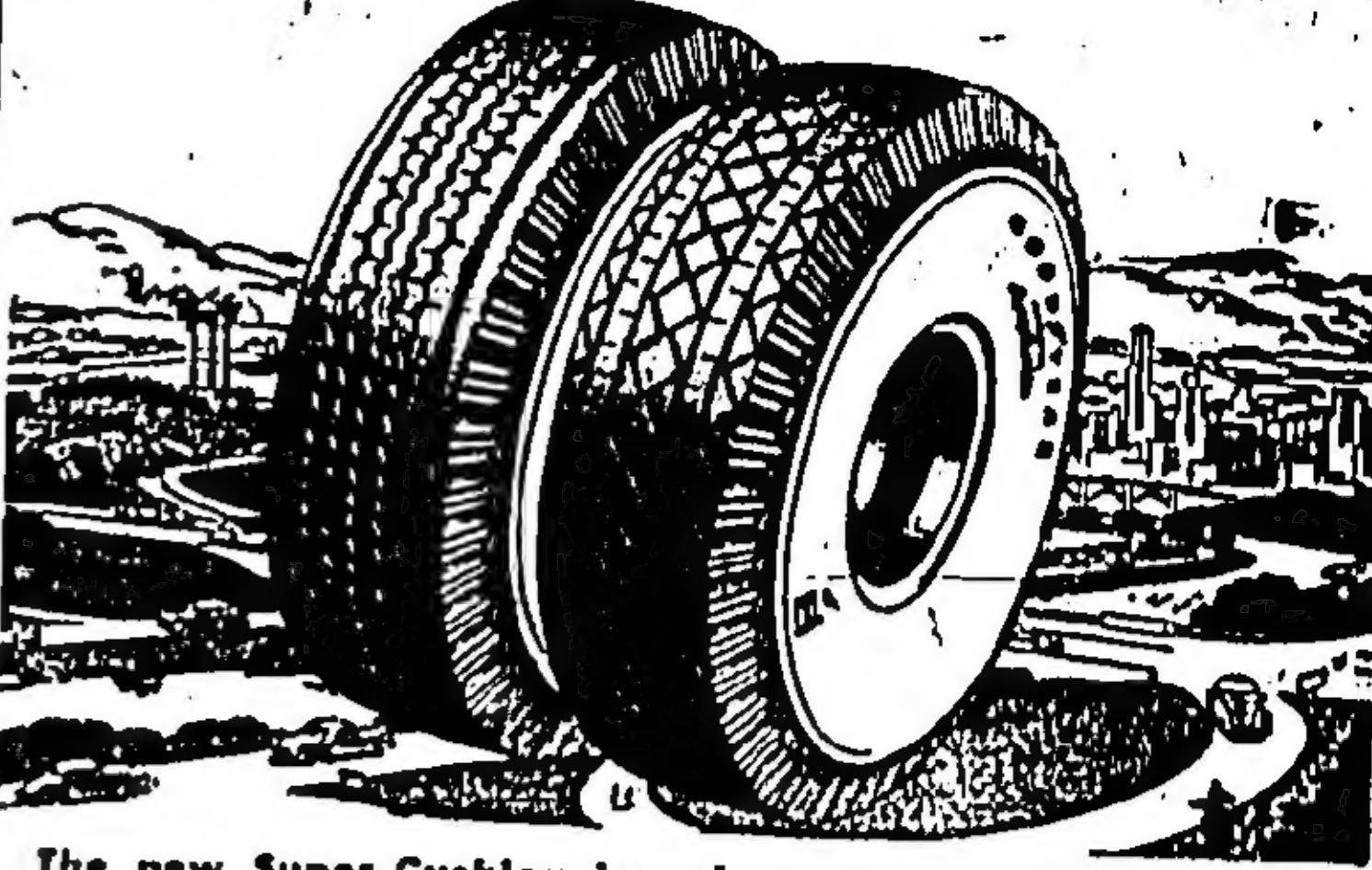
Dr. Faris Bay Al-Khoury, Syria, read to the Council a message from Nokrash Pasha, Egyptian Prime Minister, stating that two Zionists were arrested near an Egyptian military camp in the Gaza district.

The two men, it was alleged, claimed that they had been ordered to throw typhoid and dysentery germs in the water destined for the Egyptian Army. They were said to have confessed that microbes had been put in the wells north of Gaza.

Mr. H.S. Ebin, Jewish Agency representative, replied: "In that utterance the Egyptian and Syrian Governments have chosen to associate themselves with the most depraved and medieval anti-Semitic tradition."

"It is in the tradition of the protocols and the works of Dr. Goebbels. I hope the Council will be interested not in this contemptible incitement, but in the reality of the bomb on Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem."—Reuter.

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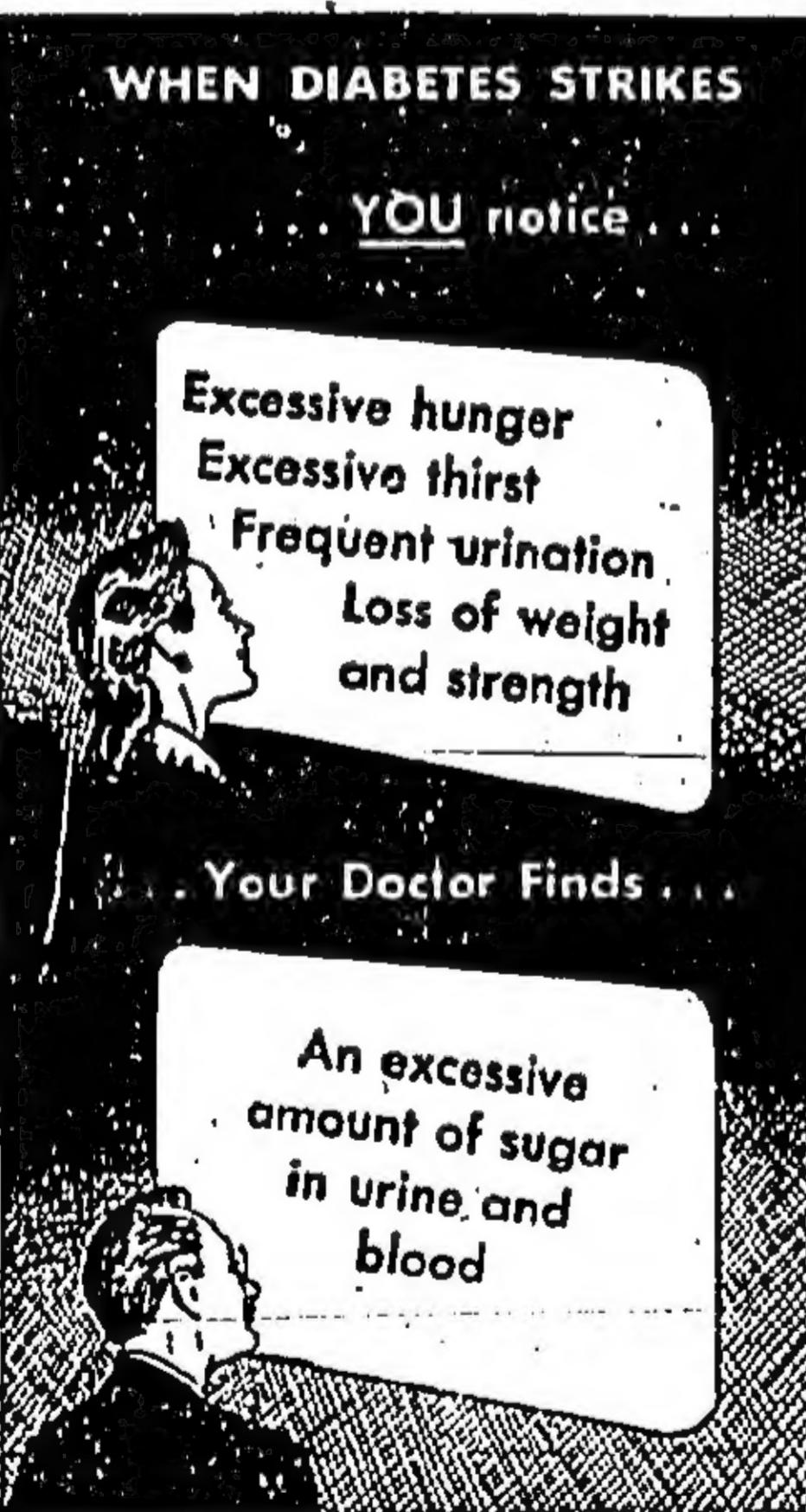
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# HONG KONG'S HEALTH WEEK COOPERATION OF COMMUNITY

Today the Sixth and final day of the Health Week Series is intended to survey the services available to the Public by the Health Division of the Medical Services of the Government of Hong Kong.

It is difficult and not necessary to differentiate the particular work done by each branch of the Medical & Public Health Services. It may even be part of the duties of the Urban Council. The essential fact is that Prevention of Disease is the aim of all peoples all over this bomb-shattered world where war has caused so much disease.

Stop all war and the greatest single tribute in the Preservation of Health would be made. This is a consummation devoutly to be wished, but does not rest in our hands.

So let us think of the great Dr. Chadwick, perhaps the father of Preventive Medicine, who actually came to Hong Kong and reported on the City as he then found it.

Tonight's broadcast will tell you some facts on his report. Briefly he first brought some order out of chaos which followed the great industrial development of the 19th century resulting in the overcrowded and insanitary cities of England. In 1831 cholera was rife in England, and it was then recognised that pestilence was associated with gross sanitary defects. At that time bugs and germs were not known, and it is to the credit of England that one hundred years ago in 1848 the First Public Health Act was made, and which had the foundation of the "Sanitary Idea." During the next decades amazing strides were made in recognition of the cause of disease and its association with bad sanitation—in simpler and more vivid language—the fifth and pestilence produced by any aggregation of human beings lacking in knowledge and civic spirit. The latter half of the 19th century was indeed fruitful in result, with an amazing field to work in.

### Vaccination

In the field of discovery Jenner perhaps is amongst the most famous in laying the foundations of vaccination, as carried out today. That happened as far back as 1796 but only became a free public health measure in 1840 about the time that Hong Kong was being founded. Today vaccination for babies and children

is compulsory in Hong Kong and is provided free in the many centres available. It is needless to dwell on the necessity for all to be vaccinated in infancy, and at intervals of some years so long as they dwell in the East. The incidence of smallpox is very small in Hong Kong, due to vaccination. Moreover Port Health guard you from the visitor to Hong Kong, the visitor who may attempt to come in from an infected port without the protection. Certificates must be shown to the authorities. If you leave the Colony, so also Health Authorities at the port of destination or visit require you to have this protection for yourself and the people with whom you may mix abroad.

So it is with cholera, typhus, plague, typhoid fever and even yellow fever, although such certificates are not always demanded by the country to which you may go. The essential point is that such inoculations are provided by the Government of Hong Kong in its recognition of the necessity for Prevention of Disease—the aim of Public Health.

### Cholera

In the Health Week Series some subjects have been given more prominence than others. For example cholera has not been dealt with separately. Cholera is endemic rather than epidemic and therefore seasonal. It is believed that the protective inoculation is temporary in effect, and therefore, because that season is now here, the public are asked to receive such inoculation as soon as possible at the various centres in the Colony. Notice telling where these centres are, appear periodically in the Press. Diphteria is a fell disease, less common in Hong Kong, but when neglected may cause death. Immunisation against this disease is carried out in schools. Every child should be immunised at an early age—the inoculation causes little distress and removes the fear of disaster from that disease. It is a curious reflection on our modern efforts to realise that the one really most easily preventable disease—venereal disease—is the one which must be treated rather

### WARNING TO BRITONS

London, May 27. The "Daily Telegraph" reported from Haifa today that the British Consul-General, Mr. C. Muriel, had warned British subjects in Palestine that the British Government would not be responsible for their safety after June 15.

Mr. Mariott estimated there were 200 British civilians in Palestine.—United Press.

than prevented. Social Hygiene Centres are provided where all treatment is free, and the confidence of the patient respected. Modern treatment of this disease has undergone great strides, resulting in more rapid cure.

The importance and wisdom of all victims consulting the doctors at the first possible opportunity cannot be too strongly emphasised. Prevention of the disease lies perhaps in education of the people and a moral code strong enough to eschew the peril of the street.

### Clean Town

The establishment of Clinics all over the colony, whatever may be their purpose, is the aim of the Medical Authorities, who have the Utilitarian principle of "the greatest happiness of the greatest number" as their motto. Inevitably, pure medicine and surgery cannot be separated from Public Health, as the principle of prevention and the next best thing "treat the disease as early as possible" are nearly the same in fact. Therefore the public owe it to themselves to use all these facilities.

During the last few months many Public Health men have visited us. The consensus of opinion is that Hong Kong is wonderfully clean and well kept. They have given unstinted praise to the Authorities who care for the cleanliness of the City.

How many of the citizens here realise the unceasing struggle which goes on in the cleansing of this overcrowded metropolis, this cosmopolitan port, by night and day? It is a mighty task carried out faithfully and well by the great band of coolies whose task is rendered more difficult by the

cleaning up of accumulated refuse where in breed rats, fleas, and bugs. At this time no notes are made on the many forms of nuisances found such as broken drains, rain water and sullage pipes, missing gratings, blocked drains and a host of defects which if not repaired may lead to disease.

In writing the final paragraph of the Health Week Series it is unfortunate that much may have been missed out in the articles. An old Latin tag "Quot homines, sit sententia" fits in here very nicely because different problems are considered in different manner by each individual. But an attempt has been made to put before you some facts on the prevention of disease, what to do avoid trouble and above all what you personally can do to save yourself and your neighbour. All must co-operate. The common sense of this should be apparent to all.

It may be that these articles, combined with the other forms of presentation of the subjects of our Health Week, have proved of some service. At least you should be better able to answer the questions of the Sunday Religious Health Week alone can do little—it is the steady pull of every citizen with a resolve to help the Public Health Authorities, in every way possible to keep the City clean, and to take advantage of the Public Health Services offered. One might well conclude by saying "All for one, one for all"—in this case Public Health.

## CZECH "PARLIAMENT" IN WESTMINSTER

London, May 27. The Czechoslovak exile "shadow Parliament" today met at Caxton Hall, five minutes from Whitehall, for a private conference to hold an inquest on the February "police putch" in Czechoslovakia.

The general secretaries of the four anti-Communist Czech and Slovak Parties alternated in taking the chair of the meeting.

Ten of the 35 MPs supposed to turn up failed to arrive in time for today's meeting. The absentees include two women MPs, Mrs. Zackova and Mrs. Uhlirova, who are in Australia.

Today's meeting was concerned with drafting a resolution to be published tomorrow on the Parliamentary elections in Czechoslovakia taking place on Sunday, a new Czech constitution and the Czech situation in general.

Czech MPs discussed whether they should first protest against the present Czech Communist-dominated Government or whether they should also denounce the "interference of a certain foreign power" into Czech internal affairs.

Deputies belonging to the Slovak Parties and the Czech National Socialist Party are understood to have advocated the formation of a Czech exile national council to be transformed into an exile Government at an appropriate moment.

### Suggestion Turned Down

Czech Social Democrats however, turned this suggestion down, apparently in agreement with leading British Labour circles. It is learned that the British Government has informally advised the Czech refugees against setting up of a Government-like body for the time being.

Tomorrow's public meeting will be addressed amongst others by Labour MPs, Stanley Norman Evans, representatives of the Liberal and Conservative Opposition in Parliament and by Wickham Stead, former Times editor and lifelong friend of Jan Masaryk, President Benes and the late Czech President, T. G. Masaryk.

Czech deputies assembling in London also considered whether they should address a direct appeal to President Benes whose sixty-fourth birthday is tomorrow. The idea seemed to have been dismissed however, and many Czech political exiles believe that Dr. Benes is now an extremely sick man and in a hopeless position of a sort of prisoner without any influence on political events.

United Press.

National Council? London, May 27. Well-informed quarters in Lon-

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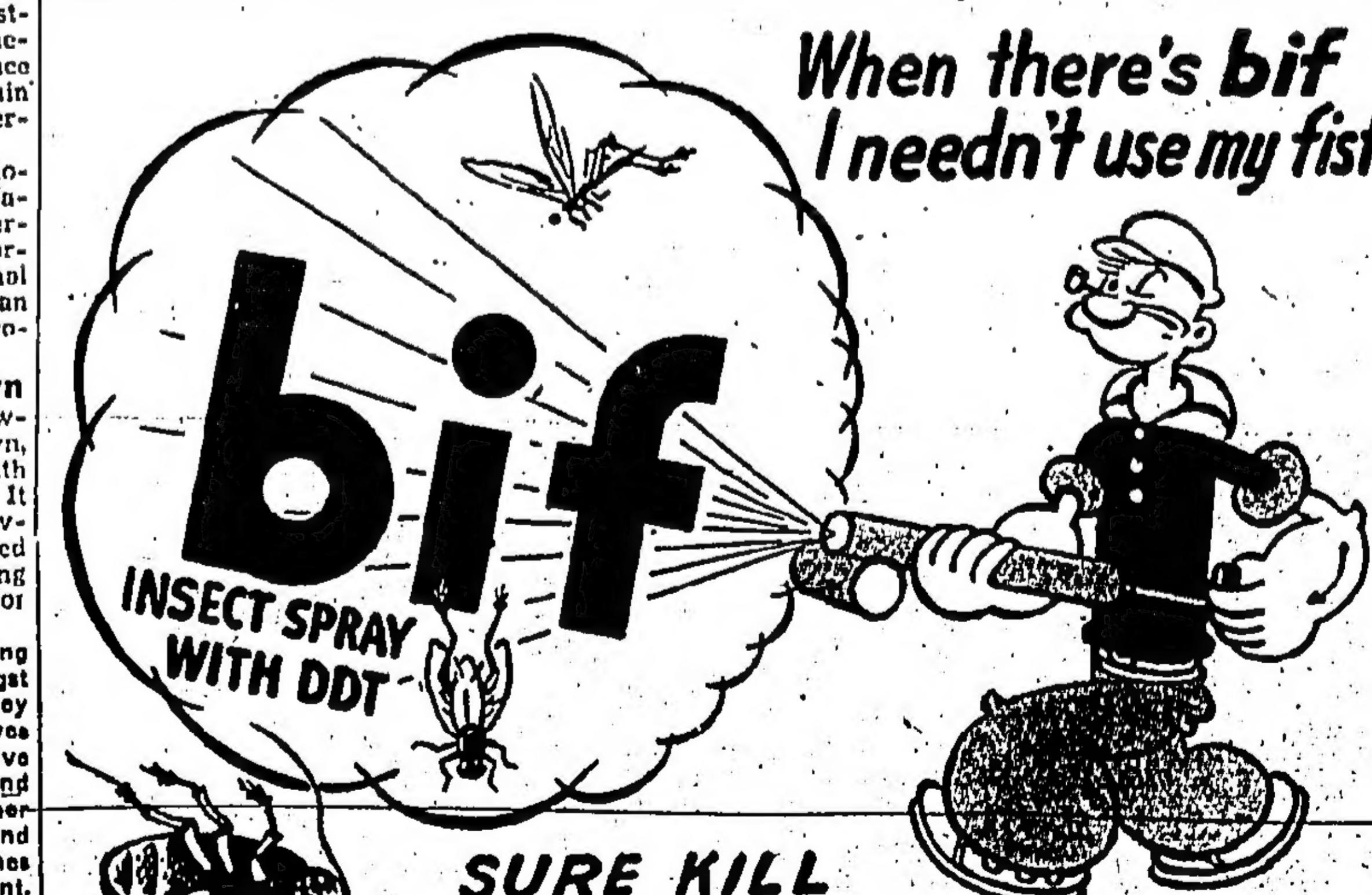
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Washington, May 27.

The Senate Appropriations Committee today voted to ask General MacArthur to come to Washington to testify on Far East spending and President Truman said at a press conference that it would be all right for General MacArthur to return if the General thought he could be spared from the Orient.

MacArthur was in absolute control in Japan and that this Government was backing him to the limit.

The Army moved immediately to comply with the Committee's mandate. The Army Secretary, Mr. Kenneth Royall, cabled MacArthur the Committee's request and assumed that the General would come.

Mr. Royall said the Committee chairman, Senator Style Bridges, suggested June 2 or 3 "as convenient dates for your appearance."

Mr. Royall forwarded the suggestion that General MacArthur bring his wife and son with him.

Senators Saltonstall and Reed who voted against the Committee's action, said they did so because of the "political implications" in the move.

**Add To Gaiety**

Senator Robert Taft said he thought General MacArthur's return "should add to the gaiety of political life."

"I understand he will be heading East while the President is heading West," said Senator Taft.

Mr. Truman is scheduled to leave by train on June 3 for the West Coast.—United Press.

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	Arrivals	Sailings
"Tjisadane"	from Macassar & Javaports 8th June.	to Javaports & Macassar 23rd June
"Tjibadak"	In port	to Javaports & Macassar, 9th June.
"Tjidesar"	In port	to Macassar, Batavia 30th May

## ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Staat Malakka"	from Kobe & Shanghai 10th June.	to South Africa, South America, via Manila, Straits & Batavia 12th June

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Tegeberg"	from South America, South Africa, 19th June	to Shanghai & Japan 20th June to South Africa, South America, 10th July.

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Ruy's"	from South Africa South America end July	to South Africa South America Mid August

Transhipment cargo on through B/L to Dar Es-Salaam, Mombasa, Zanzibar accepted on all sailings.

## SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Van Heutz"	In port	to Straits & Dell 8th June

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Heinrich Jessen"	from B. Dell & Straits 11th June	to Straits & Dell 19th June

## Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Biderkerk"	In port	to Europe via Straits 30th May.

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Mariekerk"	from Europe 6th June	to Europe via Straits 7th July

	Arrivals	Sailings
"Molenkerk"	from Europe, 26th June	to Europe via Straits, 28th July

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	Late July	m.v. "MINDORO"

## ARRIVALS

From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	17th June	s.s. "DONA AURORA"
	Mid. July	m.v. "DONA NATI"

## SAILINGS

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Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	23rd June	s.s. "DONA AURORA"
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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

NEW SLANT ON JEWISH LOAN  
No Money Before De Jure Recognition

## Application Not Yet Made

Washington, May 27.

President Harry S. Truman, apparently correcting statements made by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the Provisional Government of Israel, said today that to Weizmann's appeal for a loan he had replied:

"If a loan was necessary after the state was fully in existence, it would have to go through the usual channels."

Truman described the "usual channels" as being the Export-Import Bank, where any loan application would have to be lodged.

His statement regarding the state of Israel having to be "fully in existence" indicated that a loan would not be forthcoming until the present Provisional Government of Israel was put on a firm basis, and until the United States had changed its present de facto recognition to full de jure recognition.

In his first statement to the press conference's questions on the loan, Truman said "as far as I know, no application has been made. When it is received, it will be considered." He presumably meant that he did not consider Weizmann's appeal to constitute a formal application.

At the same time, Truman declared that the lifting of the current embargo on the shipment of arms to Israel was dependent on the action of the United Nations Security Council.

## Arms Shipments

The United Nations had requested that arms shipments be halted to preserve peace and prevent bloodshed in the Middle East.

That request was still in effect.

Truman refused to get drawn into comparisons of the United States arms embargo with Britain's supplying of arms to Arab countries. All he would say was "we compiled with the United Nations request in the interests of peace and to avoid bloodshed."

Asked if he could comment on the state of Anglo-American relations as a result of recent events in the Holy Land, he replied, "I cannot." — Reuter.

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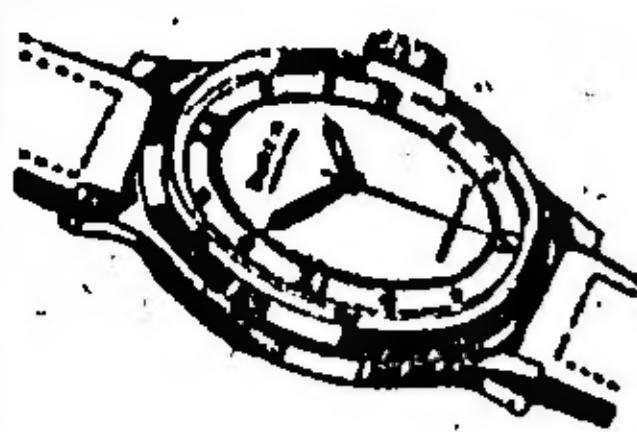
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# AIR AND SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

## Shipping Arrivals

## YESTERDAY

DAVYKEN (Jardine), Norwegian, 1,778  
tons, ex-Swato, Capt. A. Vasil. .... 1st  
Ymt.LIN SHIEN (C.M.S.N.), Chinese, 999 tons,  
ex-Canton, Capt. H. W. .... 8.30 a.m.NANHUA (U.S.A.), British, 9,490  
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HONG KONG, SATURDAY, MAY 29, 1948.

## LAST RACE MEETING FOR FIRST PART OF SEASON

Selections  
By "Rapier"

Race No. 1.  
CARE FREE  
EMPEROR OF PEACE  
AUTUMN LEAF  
Outsider: The Dingo.  
Race No. 2.  
FORT KNOX  
METEOROLOGIST  
DESIRE  
Outsider: Rose Emma.  
Race No. 3.  
PINKIE  
FEARLESS WITNESS  
A GRAND TIME  
Outsider: Happy Season.  
Race No. 4.  
DOMINO  
WHIRLAWAY  
ARGENTINE MOON  
Outsider: Amigo.  
Race No. 5.  
CITY OF MELBOURNE  
TRIAL TRIP  
KOOKABURRA  
Outsider: Atlantic.  
Race No. 6.  
V.J. DAY  
VAGABOND KING  
CHESTERFIELD  
Outsider: Liberation Star.  
Race No. 7.  
FROSTYLIGHT  
GOLDEN EAGLE  
MABUHAY  
Outsider: Diamondfield.  
Race No. 8.  
GOLF PILOT  
AAN HING  
BELLE FONTAINE  
Outsider: Flying Tiger.  
Race No. 9.  
RICHARD I  
VICTORIOUS  
SPEEDWAY  
Outsider: Fiesta.  
Race No. 10.  
EMPEROR'S GATE  
PRINCESS DELIGHT  
PATINA  
Outsider: Portobello.

## Beach Sites Ballot Results

The ballot for the bathing beach sites at Middle Bay and South Bay took place in the Urban Council Chamber yesterday under the supervision of Mr. P. Sedgwick, Mr. M. W. Lo, Mr. Benjamin Wong Tsoo, and Mr. T. Whitley, secretary.

The drawing was witnessed by a number of applicants.

A total of 583 applications had been received but only 523 had complied with the requirements. Of this number only 85 were from non-Chinese.

Another 23 names were drawn and these will be given sites if any of those who were lucky yesterday do not take them up. Sites which are given up will be allotted in the order of the draw.

The following drew sites at South Beach—S. K. Chau, Kwan Ho-lin, Kwok Wing-sui, Wong Kai-shui, Lai Kwan-hai, Chung Kwan-tai, Andrew Chang, Donald Wilson, Miss S. K. Tang, S. C. Pasco, Mrs. K. S. Sean, Dr. T. K. Lin, E. B. Raymond, Cheung Kit-cheung, V. C. Bond, Yuen Sing, Arthur Choy, Cheung Kwan-lin, Tse Po-kwan, Tony Ping Ho, Albert Ng Ho-cheung, Wong Fook-ho, Leung Sing-ho, Dr. Li Shui-fun, Kwok Hung-wai, Wong Kwok-chung, Sui-pak-jing, Chang San, Miss Wal Po-ling, Tam Shing, Yu Ping-kuang, Mrs. M. Tyrrell, Chan Yuen-on, Miss Liu sui-ying.

The following drew sites at Middle Beach—Chan Lin-tak, M. C. Lo, Mrs. S. de Rume, Leung Sui-sang, Swang O'Young, J. C. Fenlon, J. K. Storrs, Chan Wai-ping, Lee Yin-chi, Tse Pak-sum, Thomas Kwok yin, Pooh Kwong-yim, Gloria Chung, Hung Kal-yung, E.W.J. Suen, Wong Sik-ke, K.C. Hamilton, May Lee, Ko Fook-cheun, Kwan San-yot, M. E. Felt, Ley Wong, B.K. Au, La Wu-chuen, Lam Po-kwok, William Allen Johnson, Stephen Wong, W.M. Sui, Dr. Ng Shuk-ke, Li Kan-seng, Leong Yuen-yan, Chan Sung, Wah Ho-keo, Ho Kam-po, Fung Lai-hung, Chan Chow-kun, Chang Tao-kwan, Leung Kum-yul and Wong Kam-fai.

The following are the reserved for my sites not taken up—Karl Weiss, Y.K. Chow, N.B. Wong, Miss Huay Mowtung, Lo Tung-jun, Ng Cheung-tak, Wong Sang-tung, Kok-yeo, K.S. Lo, George Wong, Chang Sung-kwan, Mrs. Lam-Bert Kwok, Hung Ching-hee, Ella Yuen, Wong Yik-pui, Fong Yik-jun, Chan Hon-king, Tai Tung-pui, Chu Po-mui, Wong Yuen-chai, Yung-ko, and R.R. Ando.

The Sixth Extra Race Meeting, at the Valley this afternoon, will be the last for the first part of the season. Racing will be resumed on September 25.

The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and there are altogether ten events on the programme. Fine weather should favour this meeting, and a large gathering of racing fans is expected as today provides the last opportunity of retrieving lost fortune.

Followers of Mr. H. Maitland will regret to learn that he will not be in the saddle this afternoon, as he has left for Shanghai. He was discharged from the French Hospital last Thursday following the injury he received whilst riding the pony, Jeep Lee, on the second day of the Whitton Meeting.

Race No. 1, Jurk Bay Handicap (First Section): One Mile.

The opening event is confined to Australian ponies. Class 8 and among the entries, I don't think we need look further than Empire of Peace (Mr. B.L. Tao).

Autumn Leaf (Mr. Ostroff) in search of the winner.

Race No. 5, Silver Mine Bay Stakes.—(First Section): One Mile.

Australian Ponies Class 8 and Unclassified Australian Ponies of 1948 whether they have started or not. Weight 115 lb., 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes since Jan. 1st, 1948. Limit to 14 lb., will try conclusion here. I expect the finish to revolve into a battle between the following: City of Melbourne (Mr. K. Kwok), Trial Trip (Mr. Wong Yan), Atlantic (Mr. Lau) and Kookaburra (Mr. Foncer). City of Melbourne came in fourth in the Cornwall Stakes (First Section) over the 2-mile post at the last meeting ridden by Mr. Chung, and a win is indicated here, but it will have to be on the pony, will have a chance on jockey in the person of Mr. B.L. Tao. It will be strongly challenged by Autumn Leaf, which is suited for a grueling race and may reverse its previous result. Mr. Sheeh will take out Care Free although it ran unplaced with Mr. R.K.C. Chiu up at the last meeting in the first section of the above race. This pony is quite at home over this distance and may create an upset. The Dingo (Mr. R.K.C. Chiu) and Good Shin (Mr. K. Kwok) can be relied on to do well.

Race No. 2, Tyam Bay Handicap.—(First Section): Six Furlongs.

This race will be contested by Class 2, Australian Ponies and it is difficult to select the winner on account of the short distance.

First of all we have Fort Knox to consider. It will again be taken care of by Mr. Black, and, re-

considering the way it ran and

came in second to Black Market in the Whitton Plate at the last meeting, many will no doubt rely on it when making their bets.

Personally, I think that Fort Knox should win, but Meteorologist (Mr. Wong Yan) is also a dangerous contender, being a fast moving animal. Meteorologist ran third in the Sonserfield Handicap (Second Section) over this distance at the last meeting, but was later disqualified for crossing the second pony "Lovely Lady" on a protest lodged after the race.

Ponies (Mr. C.F. Ng) was re-

sured as a good pony during training for the Annual Meeting although it has not done anything of note at recent outings. I think it will find the short distance

more to its liking and if it will only take into its head to run straight on rounding the bend this afternoon, a surprise is in store from this combination. Desire (Mr. Sheeh) is not a bad selection for a place bet, and an outsider Rose Emma (Mr. Ostroff) is worth following.

Race No. 3, Rock Bay Stakes.—(Second Section): One Mile.

In this race for Australian Ponies Class 7, Weight 145 lb., 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes since Jan. 1st, 1948. Limit to 14 lb.,

Judging on past performances, Pinkle (Mr. Hodgeson), Golden Eagle (Mr. Sheeh), Mabuhay (Mr. Young Peter), Diamondfield (Mr. R.K.C. Chiu) and Gilda (Mrs. Gregory) Frosty-light (Second Section) came second in the Cornwall Stakes (Second Section) from the 1-1/2 mile post on the first day of the Whitton Meeting carrying 155 lb., with Mr. Maitland up. This pony is now in fine condition; however, even the extra weight should not hamper its chances of winning again. The danger, of course, is Fearless Witness (Mr. K.F. Chiu), winner of the above race, first section, and yet I cannot see it putting up too great an opposition. My reason for saying so being that it is not a miler. However, it may be wrong. A Grand Time came in fourth in the Mount Nicholson Stakes for Novice Riders at the 6th Extra-meeting over six furlongs, and with a change of jockey in Mr. R.K.C. Chiu coupled with the longer distance, it should do well here, while Happy Season (Mr. K. Kwok) is said to be due for a win judging from its third placing in the Cornwall Stakes (First Section) over the 2-mile post at the last meeting.

Race No. 4, Deep Bay Handicap.—(First Section): From the 1-1/2 Mile Post.

The second lot of Class 7 Australian ponies will fight out the issue here and among the entries I expect one of the following to be the winner: Frosty-light (Mr. Hodgeson), Golden Eagle (Mr. Sheeh), Mabuhay (Mr. Young Peter), Diamondfield (Mr. R.K.C. Chiu) and Gilda (Mrs. Gregory).

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Race No. 5, Deep Bay Handicap.—(First Section): From the 1-1/2 Mile Post.

This race should be contested

at very fast pace with every prospect of a grand finish.

Domino (Mr. K.F. Chiu) up

came second to Red Fox in the

last meeting.

This race is confined to Second Section Class 8 Australian ponies and judging from the entries, I shall not be far wrong in stating that the finish will be fought out between Chief Pilot (Mr. Gregory), Aan Hing (Mr. Wong Yan), Belle Fontaine (Mr. Hodgeson) and Flying Tiger (Mr. B.L. Tao), Chief Pilot, which won

## Jardine Negotiation For Purchase Of HK Airways

London, May 28.

Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, are negotiating with the British Overseas Airways Corporation for the purchase of a majority interest in Hong Kong Airways Limited, operating local services based on Hong Kong, it was understood here last night.

If the negotiations are successful, the control and management of the company will be transferred to Jardine, Matheson in Hong Kong and BOAC will retain a minority interest and become technical advisers to the company.—Reuter.

## DORIS HART BEATEN IN SEMI-FINALS

Paris, May 27.

The first major upset in the French lawn tennis championships occurred today when America's Wightman Cup player, Miss Doris Hart, seeded No. 1 for the women's singles title, was beaten in the semi-finals by another American, Miss Shirley Fry, No. 5 in the United States rankings.

Miss Fry won 6-3, 4-6, 11-9. Mrs. Pat Todd, American holder of the women's singles title, refused to play her semi-final with Mme. Landry, of France, on court No. 2 and was scratched. Mme. Landry will now meet Miss Fry in the final.

Mrs. Todd was billed to appear on the length of the men's semi-final between Jaroslav Drobný and Budge Patty, the French Lawn Tennis Federation authorities requested her to play on court No. 1.

Jaroslav Drobný, Czech left-hander, meanwhile, entered the Committee and offered to play her semi-final match this evening on court No. 2. The Committee refused to accept, however, stating that they had already scratched her and Madame Landry had been awarded a walk-over.—Reuter.

Later, Mrs. Todd phoned the Committee and offered to play her semi-final match this evening on court No. 2. The Committee refused to accept, however, stating that they had already scratched her and Madame Landry had been awarded a walk-over.—Reuter.

## Change Of Minds

The Committee, after scratching Mrs. Todd from the competition appeared concerned at their decision and suggested that Mme. Landry should make the final decision.

Mme. Landry was in tears while being interviewed by the Committee and very distressed

by the whole situation.

The Committee suggested that the semi-final might be played tomorrow but later again changed their minds announcing that

the Cornish Stakes (First Section) over the 2-mile post with Mr. Sequira up at the last meeting has the best recommendation for a win here. I expect it to receive stiff opposition from Ann Hing which was second to Ascot Beauty in the Sussex Handicap (First Section) at the last meeting over the 2-mile post.

Belle Fontaine, which was third in this same race with Ann Hing

should be borne in mind as the pony has been improving lately.

Flying Tiger, a disappointment at the last outing, may be worth

consideration as it is not bad

over this distance.

Race No. 9, Deep Bay Handicap.—(Second Section): From the 1-1/2 Mile Post.

Looking over the entries for this sprint event, I don't think

there is much doubt that Richard I (Mr. Mu) will win, unless

something out of the ordinary

happens. Victorious (Mr. Gregory) which has not yet done

anything of note so far, should

have no difficulty in taking

second place. For the third position

Speedway (Mr. B.L. Tao) and Fiesta (Mr. Ostroff) should fight out the issue.

Race No. 10, Silver Mine Bay Stakes.—(Second Section): One Mile.

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14 lb., Emperor's Gate (Mr. Wong Yan), second in the Cornish Stakes (First Section) on the first day of the Whitton Meeting, from the 1-1/2 Mile Post, has been given top weight of 155 lb. As it will have

an allowance of 5 lb. for a novice

jockey. As the pony ran well to

take third place behind Princess Delight (Mr. B.L. Tao) came in

second to Hong Kong Meldon in the

Middlesex Stakes, six furlongs

at the last meeting will prove

a menace to Emperor's Gate.

According to the Crown, Li Ping, a newspaper reporter of the Chinese language daily "Chung Ying Po," appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday charged with giving prohibited articles to a prisoner in custody.

The 27-year-old Chinese pres-

man, who was not represented

legally, pleaded not guilty and denied a police allegation that he handed to a female prisoner Tam So, four Royal Leaf cigarettes in a packet on Thursday morning outside the Central Charge Room.

Sub-Inspector A. Fleming, de-

scribing the alleged incident, said

that when defendant was asked

his business, he replied "Nothing."

Defendant, electing to make a

statement, said that he went to

Central Station for his wife of